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Sir R. Craigie's
Neuralgia

Nikko, Aug. 21 (Domei).—Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador, who has been spending the week-end here on short vacation following his recent arduous work in connection with the Tokyo negotiations, is unwell. He is confined to his bed with acute pain in the left arm, which Dr. Kamemori, President of the Nikko Hospital has diagnosed as neuralgia in the left shoulder. It is understood that Sir Robert will be obliged to remain in Nikko for a period in order to recuperate.

VATICAN DIPLOMAT ACTIVE

Conferences With
Il Duce And Ciano

ROME, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—While there is a lull in diplomatic calls at Rome today, great activity continues at the Foreign Office. There is no indication of what is afoot but it is believed that Signor B. Attolico, Ambassador to Germany, saw the Duce and Count Ciano, Foreign Minister, last night.

It is understood that Signor Attolico while at Munich, saw Herr von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister but did not see Herr Hitler. The Vatican has denied rumours that a special Papal envoy has been sent to Warsaw and has stated that the Papal Nuncio in Warsaw is taking care of all Vatican diplomatic activity there.

Pope's Intentions

In Vatican circles it is stated that the Pope does not wish to suggest any concrete solution of the crisis but intends to remain aside from arguments which do not enter into the competence of his mission, but the Pope firmly desires to recall all men to their duty in saving humanity from the incalculable disaster of war. He appeals to the sense of responsibility of all who can influence the course of events.

All the sympathy and good wishes of the Vatican, it is stated, lie with a solution obtained at one or more peaceful meetings in which all interests, rights and aspirations in question, including of course, the general interest of humanity, are taken into account.

FOREIGNERS' NARROW ESCAPE IN AIR-RAID

CHUNGKING, AUG. 21. (REUTER).—FIVE BRITONS INCLUDING THREE AUSTRALIANS AND A CANADIAN, THREE OF THEM WOMEN, AND AN AMERICAN WOMAN, HAD NARROW ESCAPES DURING A RAID OF 38 JAPANESE BOMBERS ON KAITING ON SATURDAY MORNING ACCORDING TO FOREIGN REPORTS RECEIVED HERE.

One foreign report estimates that 1,000 bombs, many of them of an incendiary type, were dropped causing numerous fires. Most of the buildings of the city's business district were wrecked. The Canadian Church adjoining the clinic was demolished and nine students were killed when a bomb fell on a building of the Wuhan University which moved to Kaiting after the fall of Hankow. A special plane chartered by the American Relief Committee has left Chungking for Kaiting with doctors and nurses.

RIBBENTROP GOING TO MOSCOW WEDNESDAY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (UP).—It has been learned from official sources that the German Foreign Minister, Herr Von Ribbentrop, is going to Moscow on Wednesday to conclude negotiations for a German-Soviet non-aggression pact.

Britain Calling Up Big Reserves In September

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, August 21 (UP).—Members of the British Cabinet to-day began preparations for to-morrow's special meeting amidst extraordinary defence preparations.

The Admiralty is expected to call up more Naval Reserves while the entire Territorial Army totalling more than 400,000 may be mobilised early in September.

This would mean that Britain's anti-aircraft defences would be fully manned and a complete expeditionary force of 32 divisions would be ready to embark for foreign service.

It is reported here that the Fifth of Fort has been mined while defence troops are visible to tourists arriving at Southampton and other ports.

Premier Without Umbrella
Meanwhile the British press is urging Britain to fulfil her treaty obligations in the event of German aggression.

Even the conservative "Times" says: "This country has given a specific pledge from which it will not and cannot recede."

Friends of Mr. Chamberlain believe that the Premier is still convinced of the fundamental soundness of appeasement.

Nevertheless he has openly expressed his disappointment in Hitler since the Munich Agreement.

It was noted that he did not carry his umbrella when he arrived in London to-day 24 hours ahead of his scheduled time.

French Cabinet Meeting

PARIS, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—A Ministerial Council presided over by President Lebrun and attended by the Premier, M. Daladier, and the Foreign Minister, M. C. Bonnet, will follow the meeting of the French Cabinet council to be held on Tuesday.

French Ministers will be informed of the latest developments in Europe and they are expected to pass a number of decrees which will be made valid if the position becomes worse.

ALIVE TO DANGERS

Democracies Build
Up Their Defences

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Aug. 21, (Reuter).—Dr. Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supply, declared to-day that the Democratic peoples were fully awake to the dangers that were threatening the world and they had determined at whatever cost to make good their defences.

Britain's defences had been brought to a very high pitch and in the Army, Navy and Air Force there was much to impress and much to give reason for solemn thought before the enemy should lightly allow conflict to break out.

Dr. Burgin was addressing the Canadian mission of industrialists which had been holding consultations for the past three weeks with Ministers and industrialists in connection with the production of munitions in Canada in the event of an emergency.

Mr. Vincent Massey, the Canadian High Commissioner, declared that no visitor to England could fail to be impressed by the spirit of quiet determination prevailing throughout the country.

Mr. Holt Gurney, leader of the Canadian delegation, said the visitors had been profoundly impressed by what they had seen of Britain's efforts. If a great crisis came, the manufacturing fabric of Canada would be useful to the Empire as a whole in scope and volume and most important of all, in time.

Carmona Returns To Portugal

CAPE TOWN, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—President Carmona of Portugal left in the Presidential liner at the conclusion of his State visit to South Africa.

Large crowds gave him an enthusiastic send-off and salutes of 21 guns were fired from a British warship and from shore batteries.

Alleged Polish Atrocities

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Almost the entire news section of German newspapers is taken up by reports of Polish atrocities against Germans in Poland and reports that the Poles are constructing defence works along various sectors of the frontier.

IN OUR SOLITUDE

This week's most poignant picture from the Hongkong border which shows a terrified mother clutching her little boy as they squat over their meagre belongings shortly after escaping across the border into safe British territory following the Japanese frontier operations.—Yuen Chun Studio.



"Something Is Going To Happen Very Soon Indeed"

Europe's Nerves on Edge: Increasing Tension

BERLIN, Aug. 21

(Reuter).—Tension seems still to be increasing here and the conviction is becoming widespread that something is going to happen very soon indeed.

The "National Zeitung" which is closely connected with Marshal Goering, writes in connection with the Anglo-Polish Treaty that "As in other important questions, the present week will bring a decision on this point too."

The plain hint is re-echoed in political circles where it is emphasised that the alleged Polish "atrocities" cannot be allowed to continue much longer.

Trial Mobilisation

Meanwhile reliable information suggests that Germany's trial mobilisation is progressing rapidly. Nurses are being called up, propaganda units are being organised, (the petrol shortage is worsening), soldiers are being inactivated, cars have been requisitioned, especially in Prussia, and long rails of lorries and tanks are on the move.

Cologne and other Rhineland towns to-night start a three nights' blackout. Official quarters in Berlin are even more than usually uncommunicative but individuals in German political circles still profess optimism though they cannot explain why. Many say they still cannot believe that Britain will go to war on account of Danzig.

Hint To Axis Powers

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—While to-morrow's Cabinet meeting is naturally awaited with keen interest by the British public, official circles emphasise that the attitude of the Government is entirely unchanged.

"Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent learns from official circles that whether or not the Axis Powers are convinced of British and French firmness of intention to lend assistance to Poland in the event of the latter being brought into conflict with Germany on account of a threat to Polish independence, is not a question which can be answered in London. But that the Axis Powers should be alive to the attitude of the Democracies goes without saying.

Since the recent declaration of the prime Minister in the House of Commons and Lord Halifax's speech of June 25, no chance has been lost to reiterate the sentiments therein expressed during the subsequent contacts between representatives of the Government in Berlin and Rome.

It is pointed out that any efforts to misinterpret the British attitude are part of a customary technique to shake the confidence of the Demo-

PLEASE Turn To Page 4.

Key Statesmen Get Together In London

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—AMONG many callers at No. 10, Downing Street to-day, was Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Deputy Leader of the Opposition Party. Lord Halifax stayed to lunch with the Prime Minister. He looked rather serious on leaving No. 10 but he gave a smile to the photographers as he walked to the Foreign Office to keep an appointment with Mr. George Curzon, well-known journalist, peace worker and Labour politician. Lord Chatfield called at the Foreign Office this afternoon.

LATEST

Poland Concerned

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WARSAW, Aug. 21. (UP).—The conclusion of the German-Soviet Trade Pact has caused an unpleasant impression in Warsaw where political quarters have openly expressed their anxiety that Soviet Russia may "be playing a double game."

The Polish press to-day only published a brief official communique without any political comment. Despite the British and French negotiations with the Soviet Poland has never felt sure of the Soviet standpoint and has, therefore, taken care to refrain from participating in even political or military talks with Moscow.

See Back Page For
Further Late News

EMPIRE NEWS

POLLING FOR MALTA COUNCIL

MALTA.
Polling for the 10 elective seats on the Council of Government under the new constitution took place recently.

Indications are that the Constitutional party, under the leadership of Lord Strickland, will obtain the largest number of seats. This, however, could never give an absolute majority, as the Council is composed of eight official members, two nominated by the Governor, and 10 elected members. The Governor has the casting vote.

JAMAICA

TOO MANY APPLY FOR RELIEF WORK

KINGSTON, Jamaica.
Owing to the large numbers registering for Government relief work, the Jamaica Government has stopped registration this week. There are more applicants than work can be provided for.

Conditions are once more becoming normal. The Government is steadily disbanding the special constables. The local forces will be disbanded during the coming week.

KENYA

BROADCASTS FOR NATIVES

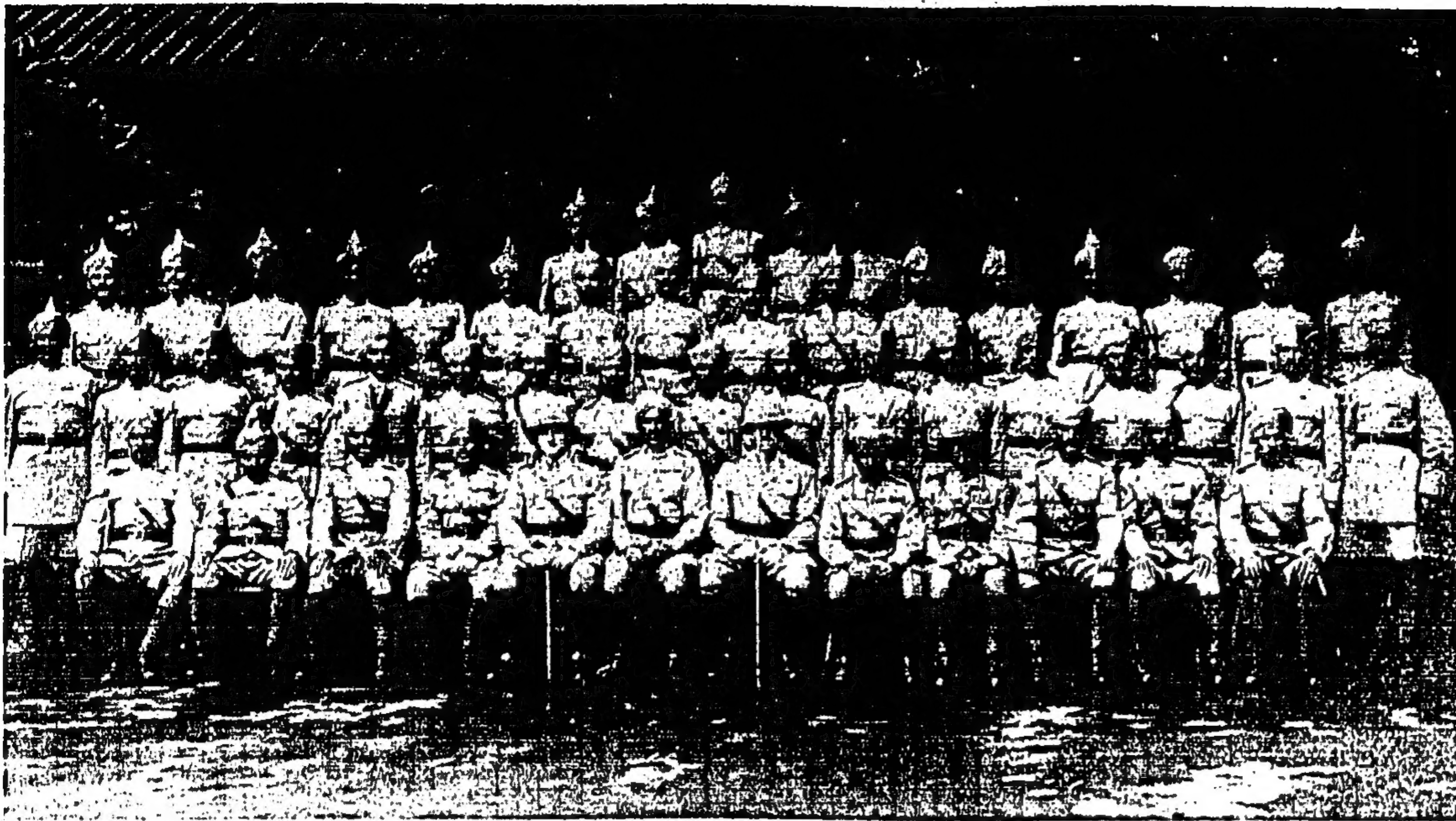
MOBASA.
The Postmaster-General announces that, beginning this month, a series of broadcasts for natives will be made, occupying about 45 minutes each week. African music and instructional subjects will be included in the programmes.

As the natives do not usually possess receiving sets, special loud-speaker equipment is to be installed at various points. European and Indian employers of African labour are being requested to free their African workers in time to hear the programmes.

"The main object of these experimental broadcasts," according to the official announcement, "will be to study the reactions of the African community." It is hoped later to introduce political talks to counteract totalitarian propaganda. Such propaganda has penetrated the Reserves by divers means.

Unification Plan.—A plan for the unification of East African territories under the British Crown, with a Governor-General, one Legislature, electoral reform, protection of the existing position of Africans and Asians, and no interference with the Congo Basin treaties, has been prepared by delegates at a conference in Tanganyika settlers at Iringa. A message of loyalty was sent to the King.

Professor Injured.—After an encounter with an elephant at Lake Kivu, Eastern Congo, Prof. Geeyers,



Group Photograph taken recently of the officers, Warrant officers and Non-Commissioned Officers of the Hongkong Mule Corps on the occasion of the leaving on pension of Jemadar Pannu Khan—Yuen Chun Studio.

Leslie & Daisy See World On Their Savings

A CLERK and a shop assistant arrived back in London recently after cycling 9,000 miles in ten months across three continents and 11 countries. And the cost was their life savings—£160.

Last August 32-year-old Leslie Seymour and his fiancée, Daisy Burgess, were planning marriage.

They had paid a deposit on a house at Watford, bought the furniture. Each of them had about £80 in the bank.

Then Mr. Seymour, a clerk, lost his job because the firm introduced mechanical accounting. For a month he tried to get another, without success.

But that didn't stop them being married at Hendon register office on September 1, and two days later they were aboard ship—with their bicycles—at Newcastle.

"We hadn't an idea where we would go," Mr. Seymour said.

50 MILES A DAY

"As it worked out, this is where we got to before our money ran out—Dieppe, Marseilles, Rome, Sicily, Tunisia, Egypt, Palestine, Syria, Cyprus, Greece, Jugoslavia, Venice, Switzerland, Cherbourg and home."

"We averaged about 50 miles a day when the roads were good. I don't think we spent more than £10 on boat and train fares in all. "How did the money go? Well, we had to eat. We tried to get a good meal every evening, cooked for us for preference. But we couldn't put down above what they would have been leaving of bread from passing Italian army lorries."

"In Tunisia we cycled 1,500 miles towards Egypt, but the Italians wouldn't let us amble through the last 300 miles in case we should see the fortifications. "So they rushed us through in an army lorry, but it broke down during the night, and we had to sleep in barracks."

"In Tunis we pitched our tent and went off to eat. When we returned everything had disappeared. Luckily the police had caught a couple of Arabs as they rode off on our bicycles with our complete kit."

PENILESS NOW

The Seymours have returned penniless. They have lost the deposit on the house, their furniture is stored, so they are living with Mr. Seymour's father. "But we're not sorry we went," said Mrs. Seymour.

She will try to get back into the West End store where she worked. Her husband will start looking for an office job again.

"But after all the muscle I've developed," added Mr. Seymour, "it would be a pity."

"Bans" Queen Victoria

The famous portrait of Queen Victoria has been removed from the walls of the Mansion House, Dublin, by Mrs. Tom Clarke, the recently elected first woman Lord Mayor of Dublin.

The portrait was painted in 1849 by Catherine Smith, president of the Royal Hibernian Academy, and shows Queen Victoria as a girl in a white crinoline dress decked with jewels.

Mrs. Clarke, who has just "moved in," is an ardent Republican. Her husband was executed for his part in the 1916 rebellion.

Mrs. Clarke declares that the painting has been taken down because it was a symbol of the British Monarchy. Five years ago a man stabbed it with a sword, but it was repaired.

"Queen Victoria hated Ireland with a deep, bitter hatred," said Mrs. Clarke, "and while I am in this house it shall never hang here. "I know it is a beautiful painting, and I have put it away in a safe place."

Mrs. Clarke has also refused to wear her robes of office, which she says are "red rags" from the British period.

British Guns Supplied To Japan

LONDON.

The possibility of British guns being used on Japanese planes was referred to in a question in the House of Commons recently:—

Mr. Price asked the President of the Board of Trade whether he is aware that guns on the three Japanese planes brought down in Chungking on 3rd May were Lewis auto-guns, serial number A52016, made by the Birmingham Small Arms Company; and whether he will state the number of licences granted for the supply of such guns to Japan since January, 1937.

Mr. Stanley: I am not aware of the source of the report to which the hon.

Member refers but I am informed that the number he quotes is that of a gun supplied to Japan in 1933. As regards the latter part of the question, it would be contrary to the public interest to state the number of export licences which have been granted for a particular country for weapons of a particular description. I can say, however, that no licence for Lewis guns or machine guns destined for Japan has been issued since September, 1937.

Far Eastern Situation

Mr. Mander asked the Prime Minister whether, in view of the fact that during 1938 the United States, British, French, and Dutch empires provided Japan with 80 per cent. of her essential war materials, including 77 per cent. of her aircraft, 80 per cent. of her oil and petroleum, and more than 90 per cent. of all her metals and oils, he will consider the advisability of entering into consultations with the Governments of the United States, France, and Holland, with a view to considering the possibility of taking action to discontinue the encouragement of aggression in this manner?

Mr. Butler: The figures quoted are not borne out by information available from official sources and, as the Japanese returns since July, 1937, have not shown the country of origin, statistics of this sort must necessarily be largely conjectural. If at any time it appeared to His Majesty's Governments that consultation with other Governments on the subject would be useful, they would naturally be ready to undertake it.

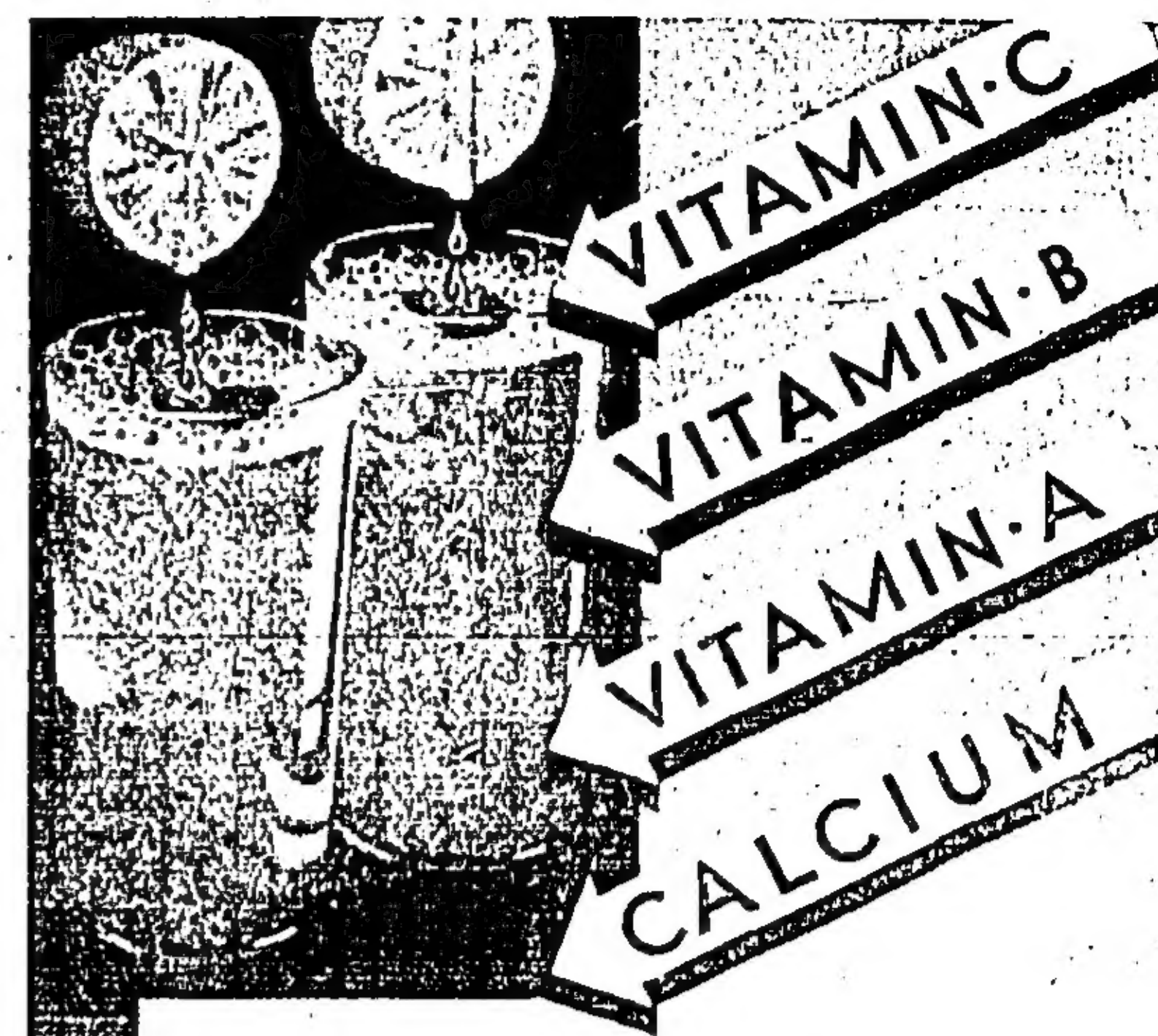
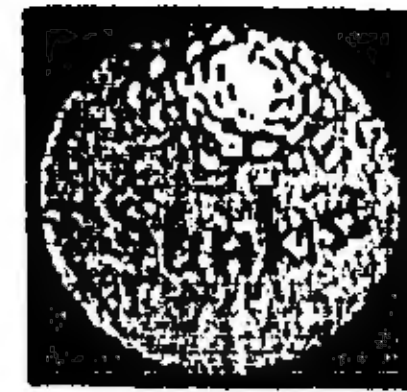
Commander Marsden asked the Prime Minister what reply representations made to the Japanese Government by His Majesty's Ambassador at Tokyo, on 24th March, with regard to the interest due to British bondholders of the Shanghai-Nanking Railways at present controlled by the Japanese?

Mr. Butler: The position remains as stated, in my reply to my hon. Friend the Member for Stourbridge (Mr. R. Morgan) on Monday.

Captain Plugg asked the Prime Minister whether the British Government is, in view of the adoption of the Anglo-Japanese formula, requesting the suspension of the blockade of the British Concession at Tientsin; and if not, whether he will consider doing so?

Mr. Butler: His Majesty's Ambassador at Tokyo is continuing to press for the removal of all restrictions.

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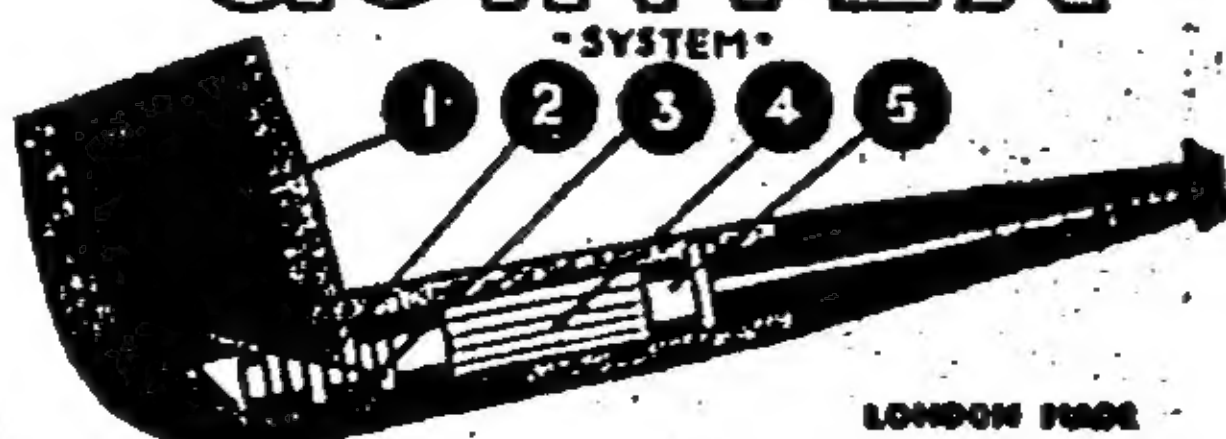
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'Democracies Will Win,' Says Dr. Benes Dictators Condemned

DR. EDUARD BENES, former President of Czechoslovakia, addressed the Liberal Summer School at Cambridge recently.

The meeting, held in the Arts Theatre, had been thrown open to the public.

People who could not gain admission queued up in the rain outside the building while Dr. Benes was speaking.

Dr. Benes prefaced his address by saying that there might be some disappointment that he did not speak of recent events, but, as a guest in Britain, he did not wish to discuss questions which at this moment might be thought controversial.

He went on to say that very severe criticism could, and should, be passed on the practice, procedure, means and methods of the European democracies—the great old democracies as well as the smaller newer democracies.

'COURAGE TO BACK THEORIES'
The lack of belief and faith in their own principles, their lack of civic courage, their unacceptable utilitarian opportunism as to principle, their lack of real knowledge that it was necessary not merely to oppose the principles of authoritarianism, to preach democracy and to speak in highly laudatory terms about the freedom of man and nations.

"One must have also a right conception of democracy as theory and one must have the courage to put these theories into practice rightly, justly, and courageously," said Dr. Benes.

BACKGROUND OF A DICTATOR
Dictators, adventurers, occasional politicians, and many of those who considered themselves political geniuses belonged frequently to a category of people who were intuitive, imaginative, romantic, emotional, personally ambitious, and very often they finished by being brutal, cynical, and as completely amoral as animals.

Dispassionately, and "always avoiding personalities," Dr. Benes analysed the background of "a Duce and a Fuehrer."

ORIGINAL IN REVOLUTION
He said "they have a mystical conception of the people and of the nation."

"They defy the nation, they defy the State, they identify the State and the nation, and a Duce or Fuehrer are the natural leaders as expressions of the nation and of the all-mighty state as opposed to parties, classes, and individuals."

"The only origin of these leaders is through revolution. As to succession in leadership they have not yet formulated their policy."

'THEY TAKE LIFE AS CONSTANT BATTLE'

Leaders in authoritarian states—because they were based on the idea that life was a battle, that the relations between nations and states were a battle, because they accepted in daily politics methods of violence

and force—such leaders must reflect such characteristics.

They must be men who accepted the principle that human life was a constant battle and that the relation of men, nations, and states, was a relation of force.

They were generally people who made decisions at once without taking into consideration the advice of others and without taking into consideration the historical facts and different realities.

SYSTEM THAT IS A TRAVESTY
"As a democrat," said Dr. Benes, "I do not admit that the authoritarian system of government is justified, because it is a travesty of government and nothing else."

"Because it is a travesty it cannot endure."

"I believe also that the leaders of authoritarian Governments can never be the real leaders of a human, universal and Christian morality, of a real human education and enlightenment."

THE NEW VICTORY OF FREEDOM
"The events of the next years in Europe, and in the world, will show to the present generation if this judgment of history was right. My scientific conviction is that this judgment was right."

"There never existed a society where the fight for freedom and the development of the free human personality ceased."

"In the darkest period of history this fight continued, continues today, and will be continued until the new victory of freedom will come again."

'LIBERTY OF MY COUNTRY'
In conclusion, Dr. Benes said: "Democracy will be victorious because it is in the line of social evolution and of the philosophy of history."

"The victory of democracy and freedom in Europe means the liberty of my country—Czechoslovakia."

Replying to questions about the propaganda of totalitarian and democratic States, Dr. Benes said, "Truth prevails; finally truth always prevails."

Why Hitler Hates Dr. Benes

Speaking after Dr. Benes, Sir Walter Layton said that there had been people mean enough to say that the Czechs should have fought.

Dr. Benes was faced with a demand from England and France that he should save the world from world war.

"I am thankful," said Sir Walter,

'Let Germany Share Our Colonies' Trade'

ADMINISTRATION of colonies under international supervision was urged by Mr. Ramsay Muir, recently, at the Liberal Summer School, at Cambridge.

He suggested that the possessors of colonies should resign their absolute sovereignty over those colonies to some international authority.

CHANGE FOR GERMANY
One condition should be an absolutely open trade access for the traders of all nations to all colonies under such administration.

"That would give Germany a very great deal more than she would get in trade if she got back her four little pre-war colonies."

RIGHTS OF NATIVES
The second condition would be that there must be full and adequate safeguards for the right of the native population, with obligation to train them gradually to take a larger and larger share in the management of their own affairs and train them for ultimate self-government.

"Next we want to make sure that the native population are safeguarded against being exploited for the purpose of power politics. We must not allow them to be used for the raising of armies for the conquest of other countries and other territories."

A FRESH START
"We have the opportunity of making a clean, fresh start of the civilised world for the treatment of the backward peoples. We have all the power in our own hands at present, and on the sincerity of our declaration would depend the effectiveness of such a scheme."

For such a system the point was that it would not be so much a question of agreement between Germany and Britain, but between the democracies.

Robbed Of £800
MRS. MARY HODKINSON, a Blackpool housewife, of Breck-road, went to the market to buy a 2d. cabbage for her Sunday dinner. It cost her £800.

An assistant at a stall picked the best cabbage he had—no larger than Mrs. Hodkinson needed both hands to hold it. She put down her bag.

A moment later she screamed and half collapsed over the stall.

"My bag!" she cried.

It had vanished. Inside were two £100 notes, 23 of £10, one £5 note, and 30s of £1.

The £100 notes were the life savings of her mother, Mrs. J. Dickenson, boarding-house keeper.

"That Dr. Benes saved my country. There could be no greater contrast than Herr Hitler and Dr. Benes. Why does Herr Hitler hate Dr. Benes? Because Dr. Benes is right."

What Dr. Benes had said he had said very gently, but his word spelled the doom for the totalitarian regime.

"This man," added Sir Walter, "stood in the streets of Prague a year ago without a guard."



Dr. Eduard Benes, former President of Czechoslovakia photographed recently with his wife.

Paris-On-15s. Graduate Drinks His Winnings

A YOUNG man stood in the bar of the Chequers Inn here recently and drank a pint of old and mild. He set down his glass with a deep sigh.

"Ripe," he declared; "ripe and nutty. Nothing like that across the Channel."

Mr. Leonard Cheshire, 22-year-old graduate of Merton College, Oxford, had been to Paris and back to earn that pint.

A week before in the Chequers he said to Mr. Joseph Allen, an Oxford lorry driver, "I wish I was in Paris." In his pocket he had 15s.

"But you a pint you can't make it," said Mr. Allen.

So the wager was made and later Mr. Cheshire claimed his reward. He had travelled to Paris and back on his 15s. and what he had been able to earn.

"I thought that was the safest pint I'd ever wagered," said the loser. "I was a fool. Why didn't I go as well?"

Mr. Cheshire had one adventure. "I was stopped 15 miles outside Dieppe by a very tough customer, who wanted money," he said.

"I told him I had none. He didn't believe me."

THE INVISIBLE MAN
"It was a very dark and lonely road with thick woods on both sides. 'What's that man doing beside you?' I said. The man turned his head. I hit him as hard as I could on the jaw and ran."

"The next few miles were quite the worst of the journey. I kept turning round to see if he was following."

Baronet, 70, Weds
Seventy-year-old Sir Richard Arthur Surtees Paget, barrister, architect, and scientist, was married at Oxford recently to Miss Grace Hartley Glover. The bride is the granddaughter of one of Sir Richard's greatest friends, the late Sir William Ascroft.

She has acted as his secretary for several years.

The best man was Mr. John Paget, Sir Richard's son.

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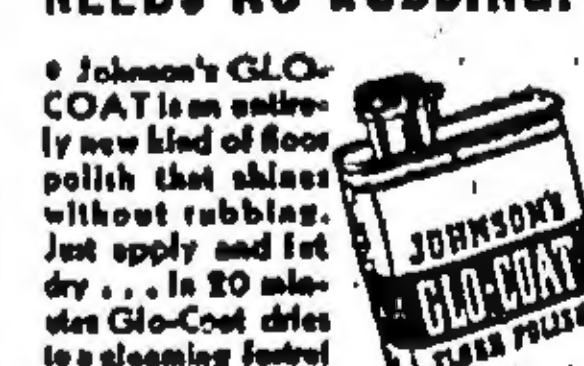


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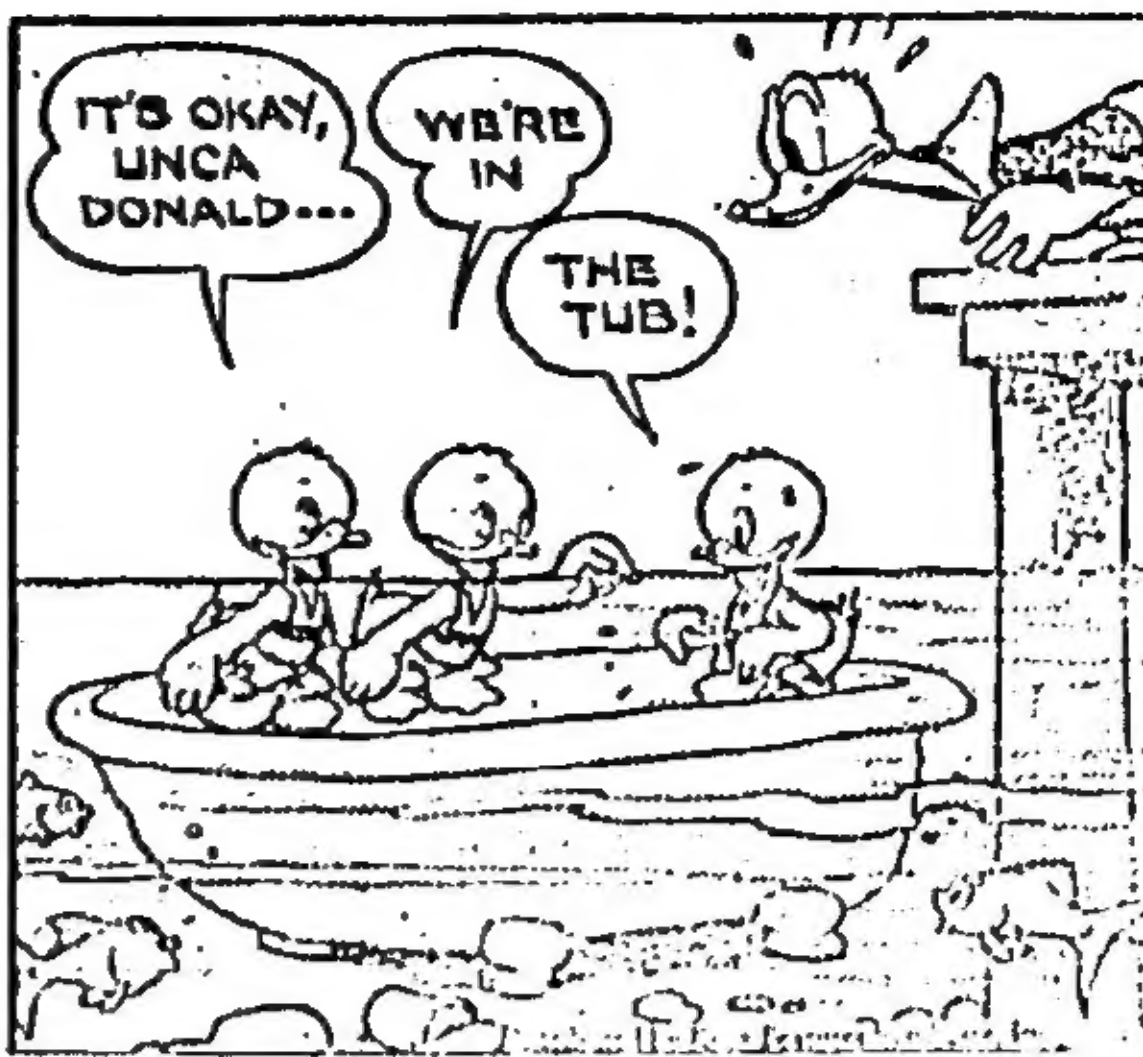
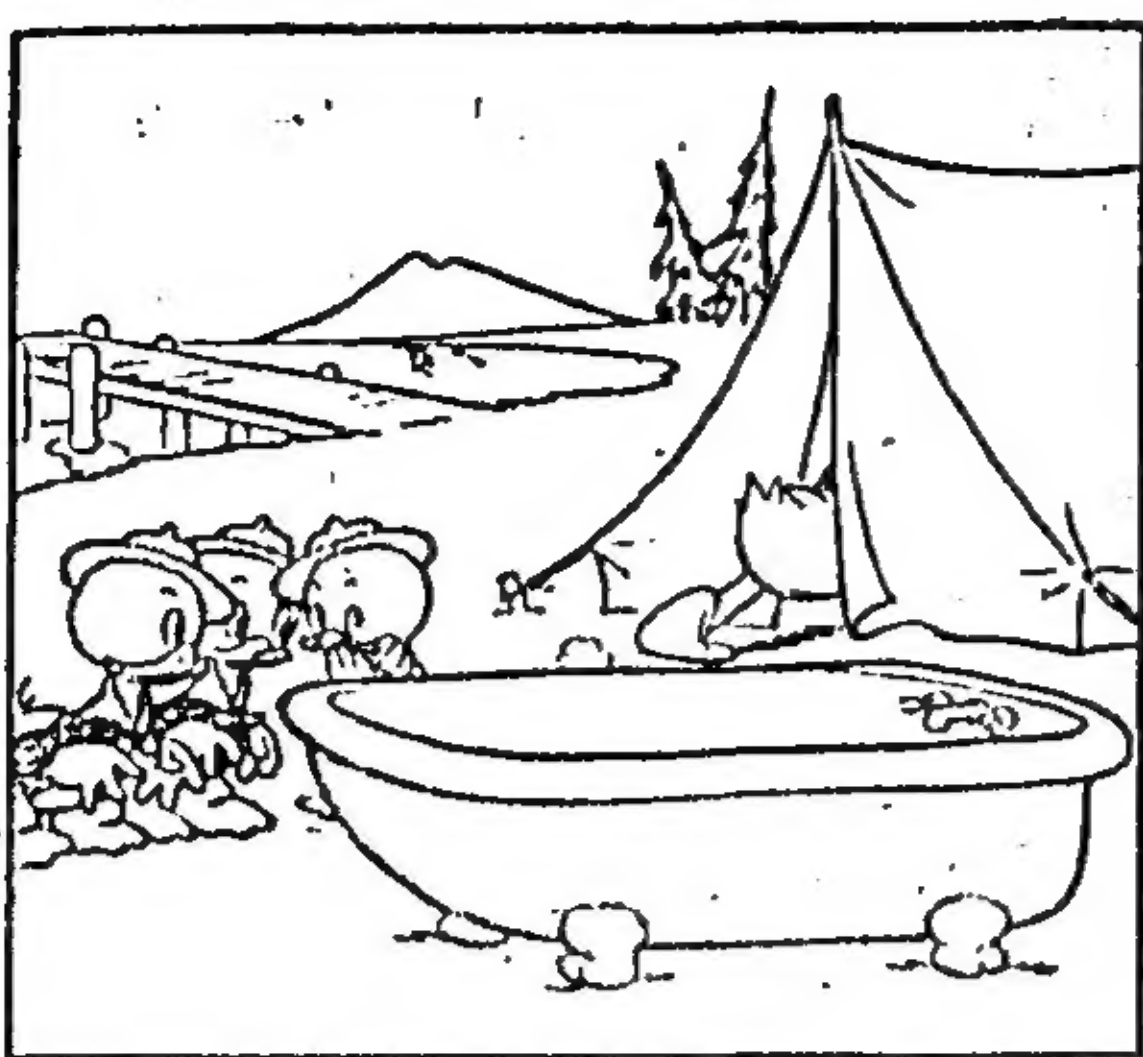
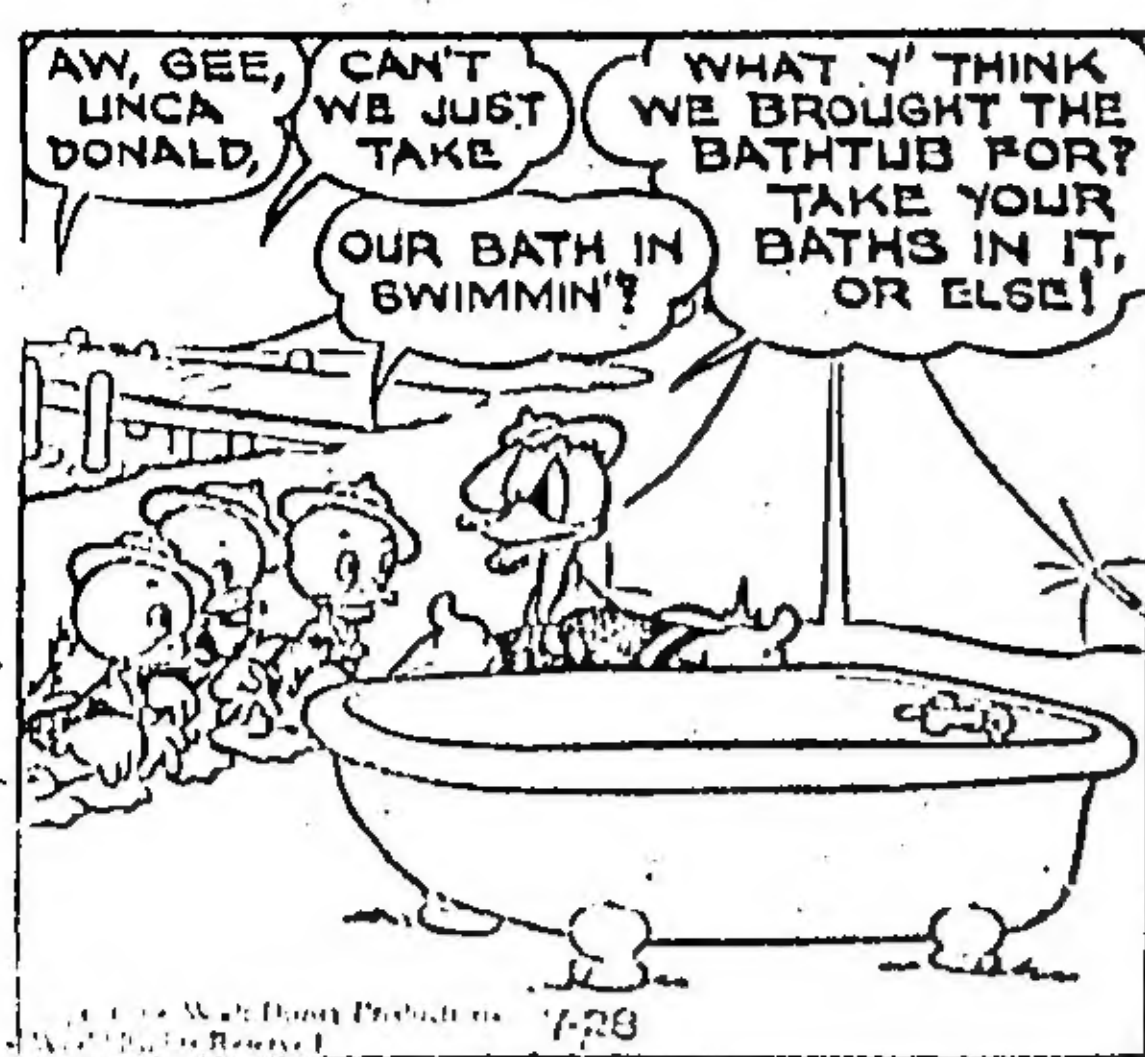
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More Japanese Troops Land Near Border

The landing of some 5,000 fresh troops by the Japanese at Nantau, bringing up of heavy guns, large quantities of supplies, light tanks and scores of trucks and lorries into Shumchun; the formation of a continuous Japanese line from Shumchun to Shataukok; and a tour of inspection of the entire border by the General Officer Commanding British troops, Major-General A. E. Grassett, who was accompanied by Brigadier Reeve and Lt. Col. Teversham Officer Commanding 5th/6th Rajputana Rifles, were yesterday's highlights in the drama being enacted on the New Territories-Kwangtung border.

The visit of the General Officer Commanding had been planned some days ago and it is understood that it had the dual purpose of obtaining first hand information of conditions on the border, and affording an opportunity for an examination of certain aspects of the defences in the New Territories.

It is learned that work is going on post-haste in connection with a scheme that has for its aim the blowing up of all bridges and strategic points along every important highway in the new territories in the event of a backdoor attack upon the Colony. The elaborate system of trenches and barbed-wire entanglements and pill-boxes put down some time ago, with which residents of the Colony are familiar, is being considerably augmented to make it possible for a small force to successfully defend the Colony against a land attack almost indefinitely.

While absolute calm prevails on the British side of the border, there has been no augmentation of the troops or Police, all is hush on the other side. Early yesterday morning, some twenty Japanese transports and warships, anchored off Nantau and began disembarking thousands of troops and large quantities of equipment and supplies.

After the troops had landed they spent less than an hour in resting. The main road from Nantau to Shumchun had been hurriedly repaired and a march in the direction of Shumchun began before noon. Chinese peasants and villagers looked on with no little awe and apprehension as the big guns and light tanks slowly pushed their way along the muddy, poluted track.

By evening the newcomers had not arrived in Shumchun, nor had the guns and tanks, although it is reported that several truck loads of supplies had arrived.

For Mopping Up

The British authorities on the border are inclined to believe that the tanks and guns not destined for Shumchun, but that the expedition will go north by connecting with the Canton-Shumchun road somewhere slightly north of Shumchun and proceed northwards in the direction of Waichang, where it is known that a large Chinese guerrilla force from the Shumchun area fled northward and joined forces with their comrades near Waichang when the Japanese arrived last Wednesday.

On the border last night it was rumoured that while some of the Japanese transports had disembarked their loads and left almost immediately, several others had not begun disembarking work by nightfall.

For the first time, about 11 a.m. yesterday the Japanese occupied the entire border by forming a direct line of troops from Shumchun to Shataukok. Since then, the Japanese garrison at the "International" town has been increased by about four hundred troops. The British force there consists of about fifty Indians of the Rajputana Rifles, under Lt. Ross.

About 2.30 p.m. yesterday H.M.S. Scout, which has been guarding the integrity of British territorial waters at Mrs Bay, anchored close to Shataukok and one or two officers came ashore, on an inspection tour.

NEW YORK FAIR Chinese Participation Now Cancelled

The China Association for the Promotion of the International Trade Exhibits has decided not to participate in the New York World's Fair and is now returning the exhibit articles, which it had collected, to their respective owners.

The decision was made in response to a request of Dr. Hu Shih, Chinese Ambassador to the United States, who advised against China's participation.

The association, which was formed in Shanghai in 1933 to make preparations for China's participation in the Chicago Exposition at that time, was moved to Hongkong this spring. It has undergone a reorganisation and is now headed by Mr. Wang Hsiao-lai, Mr. Tu Yuch-en and Mr. Y. M. Chien. Its office is located in Room A710, China Building—Central News.

Four Tientsin Suspects

Surrender Amounts To Recognition

Chungking, Aug. 21. The British National Committee of the International Peace Campaign has issued a public statement doubting the legality of the British decision to hand over the four Tientsin suspects to Japanese-controlled puppet authorities.

Such an act, according to the statement, is tantamount to recognizing the puppet authorities. The British people are urged by the Peace organisation to address themselves accordingly to the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax.

According to information received by the China Branch of the International Peace Campaign, the Headquarters of the I.P.C. recently wired its British, French, American and Soviet National Committees to urge upon their respective governments the adoption of measures that would prevent Japan from unlawfully obtaining the Chinese silver deposited at Tientsin—Central News.

Firm Stand Praised

Chungking, Aug. 21. The China Branch of the International Peace Campaign has sent a telegram to the British I.P.C. and the China Campaign Committee in London expressing deep appreciation and gratitude for their firm stand and energetic efforts regarding the Tokyo parleys.

The telegram, signed by Mr. Shao Li-tze, vice-president of the Chinese I.P.C., Gen. Chen Ming-shu, Chairman of the Chinese People's Foreign Relations Association and Dr. Chu Chia-hue, President of the Chinese League of Nations Union, reads as follows:

"British I.P.C. and China Campaign Committee. London. Deep appreciation and gratitude for your firm stand and energetic efforts regarding the Tokyo parleys. Any formal negotiations, which are conditioned upon Britain's recognition of Japan's position of illegal military occupation, are clearly inconsistent with either Britain's pledges or the better interests of justice. Japan's outrageous acts and unwarranted demand for the delivery of the Chinese silver and the four Chinese suspects at Tientsin, if condoned or connived at, will most certainly aggravate the situation of lawlessness."—Central News.

Tientsin Flood

Worst Is Believed To Be Over

Tientsin, Aug. 21. The rain has stopped and the floods, which have been the heaviest for 80 years, are likely to recede within the next 24 hours.

Virtually the entire town, including all the foreign concessions, is now flooded to a depth of from three to five feet. Mashed rats are the only means of communication and youths are seen fishing in the streets. Breaking through the last dyke, the swirling flood waters yesterday finally flowed into the Japanese Concession, inundating four-fifths of the buildings.

Japanese soldiers are still controlling and examining traffic around the French and British Concessions, despite the fact that the water is breast-high—Reuter.

Hwai River's Rise

Chungking, Aug. 21. The level of the Hwai River took a sudden rise at several places along its course and already five breaches have occurred along the embankments in Anhwei.

The Hwai River is one of China's chief conservancy problems and is second only to the Yellow River, China's Sorrow, in the record of disasters caused. The collapse of the embankments was attributed to the lack of repair following the withdrawal of the Chinese forces—Central News.

AMBULANCE MEETING

A meeting of all officers and surgeons of the St. John Ambulance Brigade will be held at Brigade Headquarters, tomorrow at 5.45 p.m. As the business is of an urgent matter it is hoped that all will attend.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

August 21, 1889. Late advice from Soong, where a numerous faction among the natives have long been in rebellion against the Spaniards, bear a peaceful aspect. The heir to the throne and his mother, who had hitherto stood at the head of the disaffected, are reported to have unconditionally submitted to the Spanish Government.

The P. & O. Co's steamer 'Pekin' ran ashore off the Garden 'spit' in going up the Shanghai river on the 13th inst., but got off without sustaining any damage.

An American inventor has just patented an artificial lung, capable of restoring life in persons apparently drowned. As yet no experiments have been made upon human subjects, but the professor has drowned a favourite pet rabbit 11 times, and suffocated it with the fumes of burning charcoal, yet the animal is well and happy.

25 YEARS AGO

August 21, 1914. Brussels despatches confirm the advance of the Belgian and French forces all along the line. Two Divisions of French cavalry have been covering a hundred kilometres daily.

It is officially stated that the Austrian Cavalry Divisions approached the Gorodok-Kuzmin line, and a cavalry engagement ensued, lasting for five hours.

The Russians inflicted heavy losses on the enemy, who retired, being pursued by the Russian cavalry.

A message from Brussels states that a fierce battle is proceeding between the Bulgarians and Germans along an extended front.

Telegrams from Rome say that the unrepentant Italian Government is assuming the character of a formidable rising.

Greek and Turkish statements are making it difficult to get a general discussion on the situation.

The Germans, when making another attempt to cross the Meuse, near Dinant, were repulsed by French artillery with considerable loss.

It is the Duke of Connaught, in the speech from the Throne convening the Canadian Parliament, emphasizing the splendid response to the call to duty from every province.

The same spirit, he said, inspired the whole Empire and this united action carried against a common danger would not fail to strengthen the ties binding the Dominions.

The arrival of the Czar at Moscow was heralded by the ringing of bells. The Imperial carriage passed slowly through the thronged streets, and the clergy of every church came out carrying a long and banner. The public enthusiasm was immense.

It is officially announced in Belgium that it appears that every raid on Brussels has been frustrated.

The German movement in North Belgium was apparently a feint.

10 YEARS AGO

August 21, 1929. Intensive fighting on a much graver scale has been taking place between the Soviet and Japanese Manchuria, according to official despatches from Mukden and Harbin. The fighting grew daily in intensity and it is becoming a moot point whether Russia is not waging war without a formal declaration.

Over a thousand Russian troops attacked the city of Chailanor, engaging the Chinese troops for six hours at a stretch. They were finally beaten off, losing a hundred killed and wounded, and about fifty who were taken prisoners.

The Chinese casualty list is not complete, but it is stated that at least one hundred were killed. Villages have been looted and burned in Soviet raids across the Amur River, while another serious conflict is reported from Tunglingchun, where forces fighting took place, the city, which was looted by the Russians, being taken and retaken several times before the Soviet invaders were forced to retire with heavy losses.

Nanking is preparing to add considerably to the number of troops engaged in the defence of Manchuria.

5 YEARS AGO

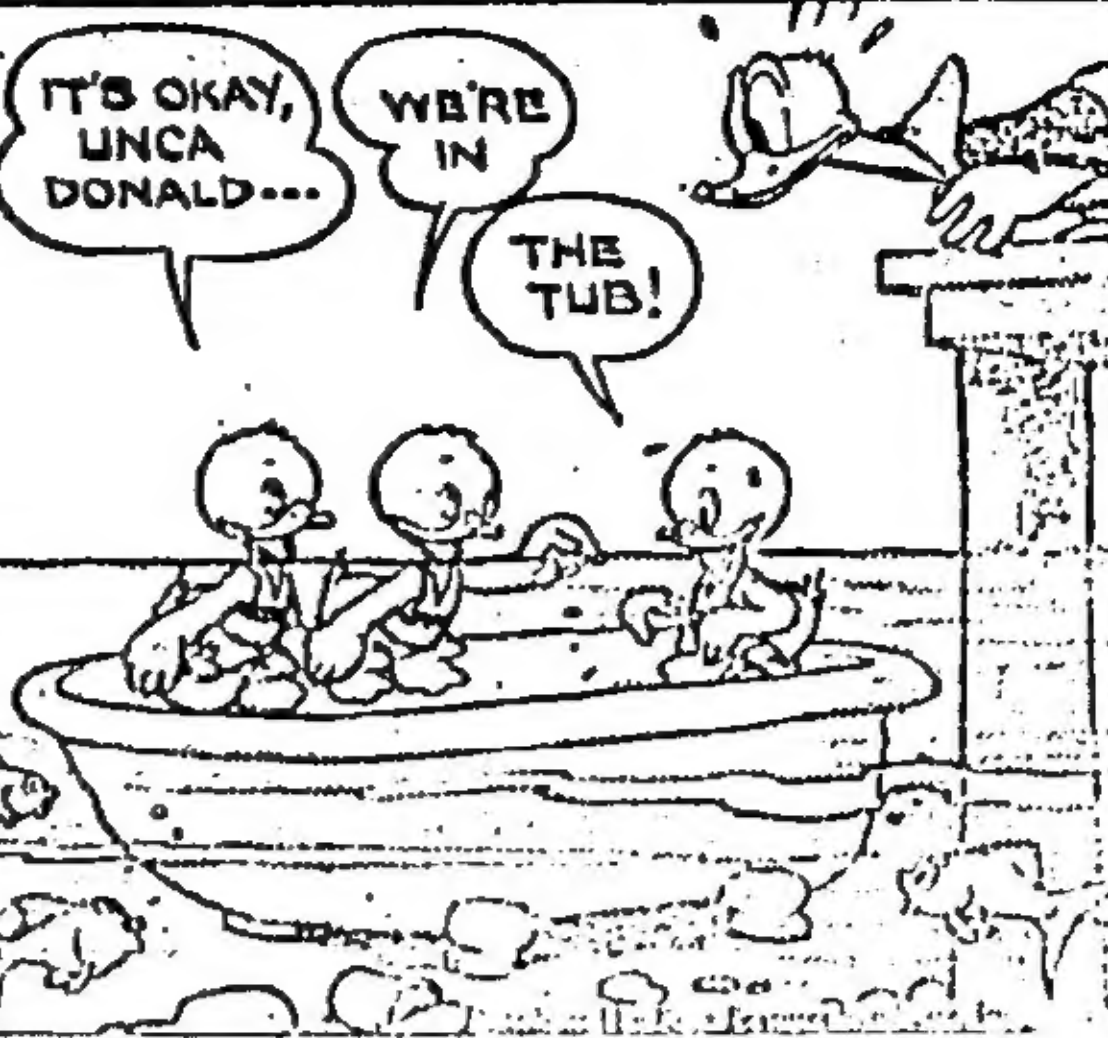
August 21, 1934. Doubt as many people dared to say "No" to the Hitler publicity yesterday as voted against the Nazis in the Reichstag election last November.

Hiller, however, secured an overwhelming victory with nearly ninety per cent of valid votes cast, giving an affirmative of Hitler's policy.

The result is, however, viewed as the first Nazi setback since their ascent to power, although it would be erroneous to deduce that an organised opposition has arisen. The large number of votes against Hitler (27,000) are regarded as only going to prove a certain disappointment with Nazi policy, which is 5,000,000 dared to express by saying "No" or spilling their papers, despite a threat that a negative vote would "place them outside the nation."

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12.30 Mozart—Concerto in D Major, K. 537 ("Coronation").

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1.00 Time and Weather.

1.03 Reginald Dixon at the Organ. Dixon Hits No. 2—Medley; Dixon Hits No. 10—Medley.

1.15 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

1.30 Dance Music.

Jump Jump's Here—Fox-Trot (Kline) and The Spider and the Fly—Fox-Trot (Johnson). The Mill Herth Quartet; Sweet as A Song—Fox-Trot (Gordon and Revel). The Organ, The Dance Band, and Me.

1.40 Relay-Rotary 211th Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

Speaker: Mr. C. E. Moore, B. Arch., A.R.I.B.A. Subject: Civic Design and Town Planning.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 p.m. "La Traviata"—Act II (Verdi).

With Lionello Cecil Mercedes Capris, Ida Conti, Carlo Calicci, S. Baccanelli, N. Villa, G. Nesi and the Full Chorus and Orchestra of La Scala, Milan.

6.57 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.00 A Concert by Jessica Dragonette (Soprano) and the Boston Promenade Orchestra.

Polonaise Militaire in A Major (Chopin, Orchestra; by Glazounov); Waltz from "The Sleeping Beauty" (Tchaikowsky). Boston Promenade Orchestra, conducted by Arthur Felder; So Tu M'ami (Pergolesi). Jessica Dragonette (Soprano) with the Renaissance Quartet; Entry of the Boys—March (Halsvorsen) and Jealousy—Tango Tzigane (Gade). Boston Promenade Orchestra, through the Doorway of Dreams (Whiting) and Alice Blue Gown (Tietney). Jessica Dragonette (Soprano); March of the Little Lenden Soldiers (Pierne). Boston Promenade Orchestra.

7.30 Half an Hour of Dance Music. Angels with Dirty Faces (Fisher). Fox-Trot and Between a Kiss and a Sigh (Johnson). Fox-Trot. Tommy Dorsey and his Orchestra; Romping (Mezzrow)—Swing Fox-Trot and Who (Kern)—Swing Fox-Trot. Frankie Newton and Orchestra; Muziky, Muziky—Novelty and Beer Barrel Polka (Tamm). The Pehel Brothers (Hormonica, Duet, with Guitar and Bass Acc); Non-Stop Flight—Fox-Trot (Shaw) and Pross Chai (Chaplin)—Fox-Trot. Artie Shaw and his Orchestra; Rose of Washington Square—Fox-Trot (Hannay) and And the Angels Sing—Fox-Trot (Gorman). Benny Goodman and his Orchestra.

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 List-Les Preludes—Symphonie Poem.

PHILIPPINES OBJECT

Sam Goldwyn Refuses To Cut Offending Film

Manila, Aug. 21. Widespread criticism has been aroused by Sam Goldwyn's refusal to eliminate from the film "The Real Glory" the scenes allegedly offensive to the Filipinos.

The film deals with the early days of the American occupation of Mindanao and shows Gary Cooper slapping two Filipinos, also a large group of Filipino soldiers fleeing before a single Moro running amuck.

Officials hint that the showing of the film in the Philippines might be banned—United Press.

English swimmer E. H. Temme and by Usumma Palar, an Australian.

Temme landed at Cap Gris Nez tonight, after swimming the Channel in 15 hours and 54 minutes. This is a record for a swim starting from the English side of the Channel, and the fourth time that the Channel has been swum in this direction.

Edward Temme is the first man to have swum the Channel both ways, as he swam from Cap Gris Nez to England in 1937, in 34 hours and 39 minutes. The intrepid swimmer entered the water at 6.11 a.m. and landed near Calais at 10.05 p.m.

No Nazi Pressure On Hungary

Budapest, Aug. 21. Reports that Germany is bringing pressure to bear on Hungary have been officially denied.

The Hungarian Premier to-day told the United Press: "My policy has been fully declared in my speeches of the last few months."

In his most recent speeches Count Teleki has attacked the Hungarian Nazis and reiterated his determination to preserve Hungary's integrity.

Traditional Friendship

Budapest, Aug. 21. The Press is discussing Hungary's traditional friendship with Poland and how this can be reconciled with her foreign policy which can only go in harmony with the foreign policy of the Axis.

The newspaper Nemzetor says that Hungary's friendship with Poland has been hammered hard and sold by passing years and action of a common faith in the "saying of the great Polish King Stephen that the integrity of Polish liberty and independence is in close connection with the integrity of Hungarian liberty and independence."—Reuter.

Caaky Arrives Home

Budapest, Aug. 21. Count Caaky, Hungarian Foreign Minister, returned to Budapest this morning. The Hungarian press still maintains that he has been on a holiday.—Reuter Bulletin.

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Commendable Sense Of Perspective

THAT the situation on the border is disturbing nobody will deny. We ourselves, following a well-established policy of giving the public vital and impeccable data, have published during the past week factual reports from the frontier which could not but help give serious food for thought. Happily the Hongkong public is not given to startling emotional reactions, to events of this nature, and this excellent sense of perspective must be of considerable encouragement to the Colony's authorities.

Neither is there any reason to believe that the public is luring itself into any false sense of security by this display of equanimity. While it is generally recognised that the activities on the other side of the border are disconcerting, it is also believed that they hold out no immediate threat to Hongkong. It is obvious, with communication between Hongkong and the Chinese hinterland more or less completely cut off, that in certain respects the Colony must be affected. There is already being experienced a shortage of certain vegetables, though fortunately of only a very small variety, but even this position, it is felt, is not likely to remain permanent. While the Government has made no official statement on the border situation, it is felt to be quietly confident that Hongkong's position will remain virtually unaffected.

In these times of duress—the effects of which are visible the world over—speculations are rife, and rumour a lying jade which should be eschewed at all costs. Thus it is well to pronounce here and now that there is not the slightest evidence that

If there were another blockade

BY COMMANDER RUSSELL GRENFELL
(Author of authoritative books on naval strategy and warfare.)

ECONOMIC blockade is one of the most important ways in which naval power is manifested.

Not that it is confined to navies, as is sometimes stated. Quite the contrary.

An army spread out along an enemy's frontier can, and does, exercise a far more complete blockade over that frontier than is possible at sea, where it is very difficult to prevent an occasional cargo slipping through.

What makes the naval blockade so important is the large volume of international trade that is carried by ships.

The crippling effect of the British naval blockade of Germany in the last war is well-known. A progressive shortage of food gradually demoralised the German people, especially the civil population, who bore the brunt of it.

THE German war effort was also gravely hampered by the increasing scarcity of many essential commodities, such as copper, nickel, cotton, rubber; in spite of the melting down of church bells, door handles, and stair rods, the replacement of the nickel coinage by iron, and the removal of rubber from bicycle tyres, billiard tables, and even babies' bottles.

The Germans, of course, did their best to return the compliment, chiefly by means of their submarines. For a time they made things very unpleasant for us, but in the end we managed to defeat their submarine campaign, and thus ensured the maintenance of our own supplies.

We did so by a variety of measures, among which food rationing, the intensive construction of merchant ships, and offensive action against the enemy submarines by destroyers, sloops, trawlers, drifters, submarines, decoy ships, and motor-boats, with the aid of airships, aeroplanes, and even sea lions and seagulls, all played a part.

THE most important counteraction of all was the introduction of shipping, enabling merchant ships to be more easily protected and hostile submarines more effectively attacked. If only we had taken steps to organise a convoy system earlier in the war, we should not have suffered so close a shave.

Thus there was blockade, and successful blockade, of Germany by us; and counter-blockade, though ultimately unsuccessful, of us by Germany. How would we stand in these matters now, if war with Germany were again to come?

On the offensive side, our naval control of seaborne commerce destined for Germany, remarkably effective last time, should be rendered even tighter by the great scouting facilities which modern aircraft can provide.

On the political side, however, the extensive substitution of oil for

coal as a marine fuel, will have lessened our power to exercise the bunker control which proved so valuable in 1914-18.

On balance, however, I estimate that our ability to intercept supplies for Germany will be as efficacious as before, while the experience we gained on the last occasion should enable us to apply the economic pressure much more quickly.

Whether Germany is as much subject to the effects of that pressure is another matter. The British naval blockade of the last war stamped its imprint deep on German minds; and of late years Germany's whole economy has been refashioned to reduce her dependence on over-seas supplies.

It would be idle to deny that she has been largely successful in doing so. In particular, her proportion of home-grown food is much higher than in 1914.

Yet there are certain commodities, among which are rubber, cotton, hemp, wool, and vegetable oils, for which she is largely dependent on overseas shipments, though storage has probably been arranged in these cases.

The petroleum situation is uncertain. Coal distillation and the use of producer gas have reduced Germany's overseas requirements, and access to Rumania oilfields would reduce them still more.

IT is very doubtful, however, whether the enormous quantities of petrol and other liquid fuel she would require in war could all be obtained from European sources.

Germany has undoubtedly improved her economic strategic position, and could therefore last out longer against a hostile blockade. But, given time, it would bring her down as surely as before.

It is important to note, moreover, that Germany's partner, Italy, is extremely vulnerable to naval blockade. No less than 80 per cent. of her supplies are brought in by sea, 70 per cent. coming through either the Straits of Gibraltar or the Suez Canal. Italy could therefore be subjected immediately to very severe economic pressure, which must take effect in a comparatively short time.

Then we come to the defensive side of the case. If Germany has rendered herself less susceptible to naval blockade, does the same apply to us? So far as blockade is carried out by naval vessels, the answer is that we, too, are more immune.

THE chief menace to the late war came from the submarine. Since then, we have perfected an echo-detecting device which overcomes our chief previous difficulty in dealing with underwater vessels; namely, the lack of knowledge of their position when submerged.

We can now locate a submarine that we cannot see, and are therefore in a position to deal effectively with it. Sea-borne commerce, however, can now be attacked by

aircraft as well as ships; and our position in regard to aerial blockade is much more questionable. There is a clear possibility that the air threat against our sea communications may be very serious.

For instance, if air attack can either smash up the London Docks or bring the work there to a standstill, the effect will be the same as if an impenetrable naval blockade line were stretched across the mouth of the Thames.

Our obvious counter to this adverse contingency is to take our shipping away from the Channel and the North Sea and bring it in to the western ports at Plymouth, Falmouth, Milford, Avonmouth, Cardiff, Liverpool and the Clyde.

But even the western ports are not outside bombing range, and no one can yet tell for certain to what extent air attack could interfere with the safe arrival of vital supplies.

THIS feeling of uncertainty, amplified as it is by the knowledge that the volume of our shipping has seriously declined since 1918, is at the root of the current demands for storage, demands which reach as high as a year's supply.

The objection to storage on an extensive scale is that it costs much. I calculate that it would come to £24,000,000 a year to keep a year's basic food supply. This is a lot of money, and there would be the danger of the food going bad, being eaten by rats, or otherwise contaminated.

Over and above this, it seems preferable to put any available money into more aircraft or anti-aircraft guns, with a view to ensuring that enemy aircraft do not bomb the ports and merchant shipping, or that they get shot down if they do. The financial equivalent to a year's storage would be about 500 first-line aircraft.

Naval history shows that, in warfare, the only sure way of defeating a hostile blockade is to outflank the blockaders, not to out-provision them. It will be surprising if the same principle is not found to hold good in the air.

PIED PIPER UP-TO-DATE

HE wears no yellow and red tunic and carries no magic flute, but the twinkle in his eyes would put Hamelin's piper to shame. Although the rats are indifferent to his appeal, the children find him irresistible, and the news of his arrival flashes from one to another.

Soon a little regiment is at his heels and, sure in the knowledge of his conquering power, he swaggers ahead, a limp sack slung over his shoulder and a large, well-worn suitcase in his hand. His band of admirers are eager for him to stop, but he selects his stance unhurriedly.

At last he flings the sack to the ground, opens the case and draws a trumpet from its depths. This is the moment his audience have been waiting for, and eyes and mouths widen as he raises the trumpet to his lips. Three blasts echo through the neighbourhood, and an avalanche of children pour from the houses and struggle for a foremost position.

When the excitement has reached its utmost pitch he dramatically pulls out the coverings of the suitcase and displays what to the childish eyes must be an amazing collection of wonders. There are dolls, engines, pistols, masks, drums, boats, Indian head-dresses—a chaos of red, green, blue, and yellow.

Then a lucky one appears. Triumphant he hands over his offering of rags, which are examined with nerve-racking deliberation. When, after an age of suspense, an engine is taken from the case, the delighted youngster is mobbed by envious companions. Stars and more stars are crammed into the sack. A little girl solemnly presents a beer bottle, which is critically held to the sun and sniffed before being accepted and deposited among the other contributions. This time a flaxen-haired doll changes hands.

Business is over for the day. He shuts his case in a flourish of respectful "O's" and glances at his bulging sack on his shoulder again, and pokes through a reluctantly formed gangway. Right to the end of the street the more persistent and hopeful struggle in his wake. He is soon out of sight, but if you listen very intently you may hear, in the distance, three faint trumpet calls.

J. M. S.

LESSONS OF THE 'ROYAL'

BY JOHN SUSSEX

SPEAKING of the Royal Centenary Show held in Windsor Great Park—that was a good show, that was.

Maybe it was not so good an affair as might have been—there was a good deal too much snobbery at the top-end of it. Landed gentry and their women-folk assumed agricultural roles for which many of them are not qualified. The genuine article either got pushed well into the background or was exhibited as a bit of picturesque rusticity.

Yet in spite of what there was of this, the rural wealth of Britain is still so great and so well preserved that the Show itself was abundantly supplied with authentic material.

More could be made of it than was. The fact that it came as such a shock

to visitors, from overseas especially, to find such a high quality of farm livestock in the rings is proof of this. They never knew this country had so definite an agricultural background.

And this country, only the size of the State of Illinois in the U.S.A., still has it in most of the other breeds.

It might be as well for all of us if agriculture was paid with a propaganda section in the offices of the British Council, the body charged with making known this country's attributes abroad.

More than 100,000 visitors to this centenary show have seen something of it for themselves. And millions more must have gathered as much from what was conveyed to them through the Press and over the radio. When this nation comes really to make up its mind that it means to make more of its farming potentialities, it will find that it has an asset which can be doubled in volume and value within a decade.

Farmers in Britain will have no need to bleat for subsidies when that fact is more positively linked up with the complementary fact of an industrial population, positively languishing for fresh foodstuffs, on their very doorsteps.

Then there were the sections dealing with various aspects of past and present rural life itself. What kind of a countryside do we possess in which to nurture human social and mental satisfactions? The all-electric farmstead was presented as a dream. The farm-worker's cottage was exhibited as a model. Both are attainable, and much else that they stand for. Yet for no substantial reasons at all we still do little to make them commonplace.

There were corners that were more encouraging. When urban schools take to playing country music, weaving from wool and learning the names of trees and birds, there cannot be much need to worry about putting a country-side do we possess in which to nurture human social and mental satisfactions? The all-electric farmstead was presented as a dream. The farm-worker's cottage was exhibited as a model. Both are attainable, and much else that they stand for. Yet for no substantial reasons at all we still do little to make them commonplace.

What about the young among the country people themselves? Was there anything wrong about the enthusiasm of those who took part in the cattle judging competitions? And were the dairymaids who patted the butter and made the cream cheeses in the old-time farmhouse kitchen any less comely than those of whom tradition has boasted and boasted?

I couldn't imagine so. When a University like Reading fills up as it does with a type drawn from both sexes as keen on the farm as life as ever has been, then what is there to worry about?

If the "Royal" at Windsor had recaptured the spirit which caught up its predecessor at Ipswich a few years since, it would have been an unsurpassable "centenary." It just lacked the touch of the man straight from the plough. Titles are no substitute for type.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I'm hardly ever bothered with lost balls—I usually play somebody else's."

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

9-Power Treaty Inapplicable

Tokyo, Aug. 21. The Foreign Office has issued a statement that the Nine-Power Treaty is inapplicable to the Tientsin negotiations and Japan will not permit intervention by third Powers therein.

Baron Hiranuma has gone to Hayama in order to report to the Emperor on the situation.

The Asahi Shinbun asserts that the Japanese Government is considering the early denunciation of the Nine-Power Treaty.

Russo-German

Trade Pact

MAY LEAD TO BETTER RELATIONS

Berlin, Aug. 20. It is stressed that the new German-Soviet agreement will reconstitute a trade which was considerable a few years ago but which has since dwindled.

It is said that the Soviet will buy mostly special German machines in connection with the Soviet industrial programme. Germany will receive raw materials, such as timber, ore, oil and perhaps cotton and fodder.

The supplementary nature of the two countries is stressed by business circles who say Germany needs Russia's raw materials and Russia will for many years require the industrial products of Germany.

Increasing Trade

Berlin, Aug. 21. The conclusion of the German-Soviet Trade Agreement is commented upon for the first time in Berlin in the morning papers. Not much prominence is given to the reports, and the commentaries are rather uniform.

The *Völkische Beobachter* writes that the agreement is in accordance with the principles of the German economic policy the aim of which is to establish co-operation in trade and industry between the Reich and all those countries whose economic structure is complementary to that of the Reich and who are prepared to increase the exchange between their own products and German goods.

"Trade Relations," the paper continues, between Germany and the Soviet Union had for some time shown an unfavorable tendency, which is in contrast to the far-reaching possibilities of exchange offered by the trade relations between these two great economies.

"The agreement concluded now aims at intensifying once more the exchange of goods between the two countries. While Germany has a ready market for a number of raw materials which the Soviet Union is able to export, Soviet Russia, for the continuation of the process of industrialization, is in need of high quality products, which the German industry had previously already supplied in large quantities to the Soviet Union and which will now again be put at her disposal. It is to be expected that the agreement now concluded will clear the way for a favourable development in trade between two countries which is in the interest of both parties."

Soviet Press Comment

Moscow, Aug. 21. The agreement may improve not only the economic but also political relations, writes Pravda in commenting on the German-Soviet trade agreement.

The *Izvestia* says it can safely be stated that the new agreement marks a turning point in the business relations of the two countries. It adds that the Soviet Union's purchases from Germany comprise chiefly machine tools and other equipment.

HONGKONG TRADE FOR MONTH OF JULY

The Imports and Exports Department (Statistical Branch) reports that the combined values of imports and exports of merchandise (excluding treasure) as declared during the month of July, 1939, totalled \$56.3 millions (£5.9 millions) as compared with \$84.5 millions (£8.2 millions) in July, 1938.

In terms of local currency the total visible trade of the Colony (excluding treasure) increased by 14.0% in July, 1939 as compared with July, 1938; and by 13.5% in terms of sterling.

Imports of merchandise in July, 1939, totalled \$50.6 millions (£5.1 millions) as compared with \$47.8 millions (£5.0 millions) in July, 1938, and exports \$45.7 millions (£2.8 millions) as compared with \$36.7 millions (£2.3 millions).

Imports of merchandise in July, 1939, increased by 5.9% in terms of local currency, and by 3.3% in terms of sterling. Exports of merchandise in July, 1939, increased by 24.5% in terms of local currency, and by 21.7% in terms of sterling.

During the first seven months of 1939 imports of merchandise totalled \$351.6 millions (£21.6 millions) as compared with \$390.0 millions (£24.1 millions) in the corresponding period of 1938; and exports \$315.7 millions (£19.4 millions) as compared with \$308.6 millions (£18.9 millions). Imports of merchandise decreased by 9.8% in terms of local currency and by 10.4% in terms of sterling; exports increased by 3.0% in terms of local currency, and by 2.6% in terms of sterling.

VIOLATION OF AGREEMENT IS ALLEGED

Shanghai, Aug. 21. At a Press conference this evening a Japanese Embassy spokesman described the incident as an obvious violation of the Craigie-Arita agreement. He said that should there be any intensification of the anti-British movement in consequence of this unfortunate incident, the responsibility would rest with the British.

The spokesman emphasized that the incident had caused grave concern to the Japanese authorities, and was not likely to be lightly overlooked by the Japanese, who felt very strongly about it.

Nanking To "Investigate"

Nanking, Aug. 21. Following an emergency conference, the Foreign Ministry of the Reformed Government, to-day sent Mr. Wang Tsan-chu, chief of the political affairs department, to Shanghai to enquire into the Jessfield incident in which two Chinese Municipal policemen were killed and nine others wounded.

It is understood that opinion is rapidly gaining strength in Government and other circles to demand the recovery of the foreign settlements or to blockade them.

Mr. Chou Ta-ching, secretary-general to the Ku Min Hui (Great People's Society), only political organization affiliated with the Reformed Government, to-day published a declaration that in order to prevent a recurrence of similar incidents, the foreign settlements should be recovered immediately.

It urges all citizens to support the Government in launching a vigorous drive to recover the foreign settlements.

Six Puppet Demands

Shanghai, Aug. 21. The Chinese Special Municipal Government has decided to lodge a formal protest with the Shanghai Municipal Council regarding the Jessfield Road incident.

It is understood that the Municipal Government is making six demands to the Municipal Council, including: Punishment of those responsible for the incident; Communication to the Chinese Government of the disciplinary measures taken against the offenders; Indemnification of the families of the two policemen killed; Indemnification of the families of those wounded; Offering of an official apology by the Municipal Council authorities; Transfer of the policing and administrative powers for the extra Settlement area to the Chinese Government, designed to prevent recurrence of similar incidents in the future.

Protest Not Received?

Shanghai, Aug. 21. Mayor Fu Siao-en yesterday telephoned Mr. Franklin, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, which does not recognise Fu's Government, to say he is sending a written protest regarding the Jessfield Road incident, and also assuring Mr. Franklin it is untrue that the Taitao Government men fired first. The Council had not received any written protest up to noon to-day.

The *Taipei Shimpo* to-day stated that Mr. Fu called personally on Mr. Franklin, but the latter never received such a call, nor has he had any official intercourse with Mr. Fu since he became Mayor of the Shanghai Special Municipality, although Mr. Franklin and Mr. Fu have been acquaintances for 18 years and meet occasionally at receptions and cocktail parties to which both are invited for their official or personal capacities.

The various protests Mr. Fu has sent to the Municipal Council in writing have not been answered.

It is understood that one of the questions delaying the Shanghai Municipal Council protest is the question of to whom it should be addressed, since, in view of past experience, it is considered unlikely that the Japanese will afford satisfaction but merely refer the Council to Mr. Fu's Government.

Tension On Perimeter

Shanghai, Aug. 21. For the first time in months heavily armed Japanese sentries started touring their side of the area, facing the British western district. They also trebled the sentries at the perimeter walls.

Meanwhile the British have mounted Lewis guns on trucks and have been carrying out patrols since yesterday.

Refugees' Return

To Canton

Population Rises By 100,000

Canton, Aug. 21. In the past month or so, the population of Canton has increased by about 100,000, making a total of approximately 700,000 people, according to a fairly reliable estimate.

The increase is principally due to the fall in the value of the National dollar, forcing refugees in Hongkong and Macao to return to their homes here.

For instance, the last trips made by the Fatsian and Shing Cheong, two Hongkong and Macao respectively, brought in a total of about 2,500 persons, while on their respective return voyages, it is stated, not more than 1,000 bookings were made.

While the continued influx gives the city a somewhat more normal appearance, it is doubted if such increases are welcomed by the local authorities.

It is learned that the majority of the present population are not independent economically. Thus, it is felt that economy is a serious problem will crop up as how to feed those without means of subsistence.

As it is, even rice has to be imported, to a certain extent, from Formosa; supplies from the surrounding districts not being sufficient for the requirements of the populace.

Even at present, a large number of people have no means of earning a living, and free rice has to be provided by the Japanese authorities, or sold to them at below cost.

There are many more shops now opened, but it is doubtful if much trade is done, and the sound of "mah jong" cards can be heard from many shops during all hours of the day.

According to figures supplied by the Japanese Consulate-General, there are at present about 6,000 Japanese nationals residing in the city, and the surrounding districts of Fatsian and Whampoa, with only 74 living on Shameen.

Land Registration

Land and property, owned by Chinese not registered with the Peace Preservation Committee by August 31, will be confiscated and disposed of, states a proclamation issued by the local Chinese Administration.

Questioned as to whether the measure was not unnecessarily severe at such a short notice, a spokesman of the Peace Preservation Committee said that notice to the effect that all property must be registered was first circulated about three months ago, and therefore all owners who were absent from the city have had ample time to return and have their property registered.

The spokesman added that once property has been confiscated, it will not be returned to the rightful owners.

It is believed that for one reason or other, many property owners have not returned to the city, leaving servants in charge in many instances. When it was pointed out that many owners may not have seen such notices, or that the servants left in charge were not intelligent enough to comply with the request, the spokesman replied that ignorance was no excuse as far as legal proclamations were concerned.

Radio Restriction

With conditions returning gradually to normalcy, all owners of radio sets are required by the local police authorities to register them at the nearest station, and obtain a licence.

It is officially learned that only 4-valve sets would be permitted in the city.

This ruling, it is believed, is to prevent listeners tuning in the Chungking and foreign stations.

PRESSMAN HELD

Tokyo, Aug. 21. A spokesman of the Foreign Office revealed that Mr. Kimpel Shiba, correspondent in Tokyo of the *Chicago Tribune*, one of America's leading dailies, is in trouble with the Japanese authorities.

Reporter learns that Shiba was arrested a fortnight ago. The charges against him have not yet been disclosed.

BRITISH RECRUITING VERY DISAPPOINTING

London, Aug. 21. Anxiety at the decreasing number of applications received for the various auxiliary service organisations is expressed in the Press.

The *Daily Telegraph* reports that in all there was shortage of 350,000 men. It had become evident that the first batches of volunteers had included many who were unfit for service. In the last week applications had greatly diminished. As against an average of 100,000 per week in April and 50,000 per week until recently applications last week had amounted to about 24,000 only.

The position is particularly unsatisfactory in Glasgow where only 17,000 had applied while 35,000 were wanted. In London alone 20,000 A.R.P. wardens are still needed, 11,000 volunteers for the ambulance service, 15,000 assistant A.R.P. wardens and 2,000 men for the auxiliary fire brigade.

Germany Preparing for Invasion of Silesia

Paris, Aug. 20. No major decisions are expected to be taken either in Paris or London to-morrow, since the position of both Governments has already been fixed, but the outcome of the two Cabinet meetings, it is felt, will emphasise that the two Governments are working on parallel lines.

Mr. Horc-Beloin, Secretary for War, called here en route home this morning. He had a long talk with M. Daladier, French Premier.

After spending two months in Slovakia the *Excelsior* correspondent, M. Andre Sorel, has reported from Budapest that the Germans are preparing to invade Upper Silesia through Beuthen, Gleiwitz and Hailbronn on one side and through Moravia and Ostarva from another in order to enclose the rich Silesian mines.

Upper Silesia contains the great Katowice industrial and mining region which the German Press began to claim last week.

M. Sorel reported that the Poles are perfectly aware of the German plans.

The Poles, he says, intend to occupy the Upper Tatras Mountain Chain should the Germans strike. The Germans have so far made no move to occupy Upper Tara because of the hostile pressure which once rallied in a stand against the Nazi wing of the Hlinka Guards.

M. Sorel said the peasants there would welcome the Poles who would be able to attack the Germans in the rear from Tatras which would give them access to the Vah Valley.

Anticipating this Polish counter-offensive, the Germans have been fortifying the Vah Valley and constructing reinforced concrete positions around Zelina at the foot of the mountains.

M. Sorel also declared that his two months stay in Slovakia had provided him with clear cut proof that the German-Slovak treaty is the only concerted state of affairs brought about by the progressive German militarisation of Slovakia since March 17.

"Germany does occupy Slovakia and I was able to learn during my sojourn that the country is in the German process of being transformed into a springboard against Poland."

Cabinet Consideration

Paris, Aug. 21. To-morrow's Cabinet meeting is expected to be devoted exclusively to foreign affairs and to prepare the way for a more important meeting on Thursday, when President Lebrun will be present.

BORDER FIGHTING RESUMES

Hankow, Aug. 21. Following a period of comparative quiet, the Manchukuo-Outer Mongol border is again threatened with major hostilities as the Soviet and Outer Mongol forces resumed intense operations on land and in the air on Sunday morning, according to the latest field dispatches reaching here.

A tense situation prevails along the western frontier once again as the result of a series of skirmishes on land and in the air during the past day.

The Kwangtung Army Headquarters announced this afternoon that the Soviet and Outer Mongol artillery forces resumed attacks on the Japanese positions from the other side of the river on the evening of August 17. Japanese artillery immediately responded to the Soviet challenge and succeeded in inflicting heavy losses on three companies of the enemy artillery.

A total of 40 Soviet planes were shot down as the result of a series of mid-air combats on Sunday.

Engaging 10 Soviet SB bombers over the Kihniha River a Japanese plane shot down two of them. Later Japanese aircraft encountered about 70 Soviet 1-16 type machines over the confluence of the Kihniha and Holstein Rivers. During the course of fighting which ensued, 32 Soviet machines were brought down.

A squadron of 30 1-16 planes raided Halunashan, Manchukuo town about 100 miles inside the border in the afternoon. Japanese anti-aircraft batteries succeeded in downing six of the invading machines.

Sakhalin Issue

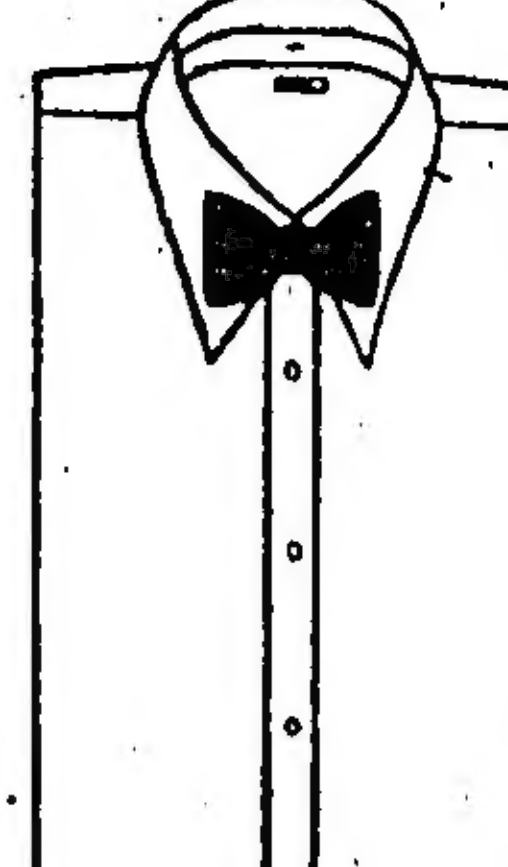
Moscow, Aug. 21. Mr. Shigenori Togo, the Japanese Ambassador, filed fresh representations with the Soviet Government regarding the fulfilment of the Soviet commitments in North Sakhalin when he called on M. Lozovsky, the Assistant Foreign Commissar, on Saturday.

It was understood that the dispute over the operations Japanese conducted in North Sakhalin has not been settled yet despite the recent signing of a collective labour contract at Moscow.

Count Ciano Back

Rome, Aug. 21. The Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, prematurely returned to Rome this evening.

Originally his departure from Albania had been fixed for to-morrow. He was accompanied by the Governor of Albania. Nothing is known so far as to the reasons for his unexpected return.



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"Yes. That was you."

"Oh, I see. Tell me, Philip—do you remember me being dropped head downwards from a great height on to a concrete floor, by any chance?"

"Slight headache, eh?"

"Philip—I wish I had your flair for understatement. I feel as though I had lived on an exclusive diet of iron filings and broken glass for the last few years. What amazes me is that you seem to be so disgustingly cheerful and bright this morning."

"I know. It must be very exasperating. A medicine man warned me to stick to 'Gimlets' at parties. So I always take the precaution of bringing my own bottle of Rose's Lime Juice. You may cook a sceptical eyebrow, Edwin—but it works."

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WEST INDIES CRICKETERS LEAD IN THIRD TEST

SOLID BATTING A FEATURE OF PLAY AT OVAL

K. H. WEEKES MAKES A BRILLIANT CENTURY

The West Indies cricketers batted very well yesterday at the Oval in the Third and Final Test against England. Solid scoring by the middle batsmen has enabled them to pass England's first innings total of 352. At close of play yesterday the tourists had 395 on the board for the loss of six wickets, thus being 43 runs ahead with four wickets in hand.

London, Aug. 21.

Although there was a thunderstorm in other parts of the country, the Oval was not affected. A crowd of 9,000 attended the resumption on a fine wicket unaffected by slight overnight rain.

The overnight score of 27 for one was carried to 60, Jeff Stollmeyer and Hendley contributing 22 each by cautious play.

Play became lively and the batsmen continued to gather runs freely to the enjoyment of a shirt-sleeved crowd estimated at 20,000. The score was taken to 120 when the second wicket partnership was broken by Perks catching Jeff Stollmeyer at short-leg off Hutton. Stollmeyer contributed 69, including four boundaries, in 155 minutes, his elegant strokes during the partnership which lasted 135 minutes delighting the crowd.

Vic Stollmeyer was next in and six runs had been added when Hendley had the misfortune to be run out. His score of 85, including five boundaries, kept him at the wicket for 140 minutes, his driving to the off and cutting being features of a fine innings.

With three wickets down for 134, Gomez joined Vic Stollmeyer and they were together when the lunch interval came with the total at 162, the newcomers having scored five and his partner 17.

BRILLIANT BATTING
Only 12 runs had been added after lunch when Gomez was bowled by Perks, who hit his leg stump. Gomez contributed only 11 runs to the total. Vic Stollmeyer and Weekes batted steadily to take the total to 200 in 230 minutes. Stollmeyer reached his half-century after being at the wicket for 85 minutes, and Weekes, with bright batting and cutting, had his 50 hoisted in only 58 minutes. He had hit no fewer than seven fours.

The Stollmeyer-Weekes partnership collected the next 50 in only 23 minutes. When only four short of his century, Stollmeyer had the misfortune to miss a ball from Goddard and was stumped by Wood. The total was 327, for five when Stollmeyer left after playing a faultless innings, featured by powerful pulling and driving. He was at the wicket for 145 minutes and hit 11 fours.

This partnership with Weekes had put on 103 runs in 100 minutes. Weekes deservedly went to three figures after 110 minutes of batting. At tea-time he was undefeated with 115 and J. E. D. Sealey had seven not out, with the total 360 for five, England's first innings total having thus been passed.

Rain held up play for an hour after tea.

Another County Cricketer To Go

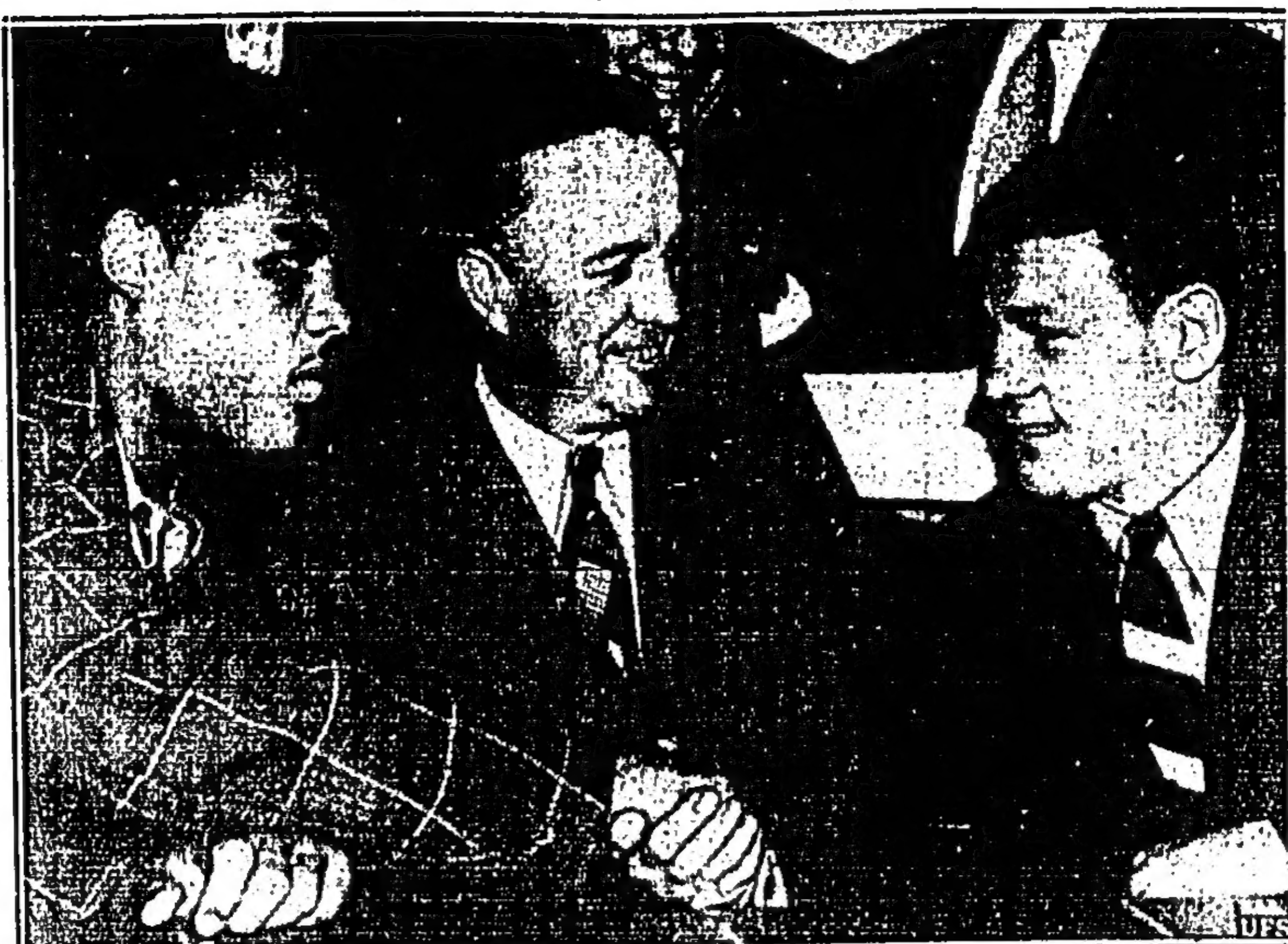
Following the news that Middlesex are not re-engaging Hulme and Hart for next season comes the announcement that Surrey are dispensing with the services of Thomas McMurray. This 28 years old batsman showed high promise some time ago, and played a number of fine innings for the county. Incidentally, he can claim to have played in a Test, for he fielded as a substitute in the Oval Test against the Australians in 1934, and earned rounds of applause by some fine work. Brooks the Surrey wicketkeeper, who recently lost his place in the first team to Mobey, has been engaged for another year, with a hint that next season may be his last with the club.

At the resumption, Weekes was caught by Hammond off Nichols for 137, which had taken him 135 minutes to make. Weekes revealed brilliant all-round form, hitting one six and 18 fours.

The score was now 389 for six. Stumps were drawn at 395 for six, Sealey being 17 not out and Leary Constantine one not out.

The following were the detailed scores as called by Reuter:

England—1st Innings	
West Indies—1st Innings	
R. S. Grant, c Goddard, b Perks	59
Jeff Stollmeyer, c Perks, b Hutton	69
C. Hendley, run out	65
Vic Stollmeyer, st. Wood, b Goddard	96
G. E. Gomez, b Perks	11
K. H. Weekes, c Hammond, b Nichols	137
J. E. D. Sealey, not out	17
L. N. Constantine, not out	1
Extras	3
Total (for 6 wks.)	395
Fall of wickets:—1 (Grant) for 12; 2 (Jeff Stollmeyer) for 128; 3 (Hendley) for 134; 4 (Gomez) for 164; 5 (Vic Stollmeyer) for 327; 6 (Weekes) for 389.	



SET FOR 20 ROUNDS—Old-time, long-range bout is scheduled for Joe Louis and Bob Pastor when they meet at Briggs Stadium, Detroit, on Sept. 21, in 20-round title go. Here, Joe, left and Bob sign up in Detroit. Michigan Boxing Commissioner John J. Hottcho, center.

Lawn Bowls

Three Indian R.C. Players Left In Quarter-Finals

(By "Abe")

The three Indian R.C. players left in the Open Bowls singles championship all won their matches yesterday in the Fourth Round to qualify for the quarter-finals of the competition.

Amongst those eliminated yesterday were H. A. Alves, who was beaten by his club-mate, C. F. Remedios, former champion of Shanghai; and A. E. Coates, a former Colony champion, who was rather surprisingly beaten by M. R. Abbas.

The two matches on the Civil Service C.C. green which were expected to be close affairs did not turn out to be so. A. R. Dallah was playing far too well for C. M. Silva, last year's "giant-killer" who could not find his touch. Dallah led 12-0 on the sixth end and went on to win by 21-7 after being ahead all the way.

Of the 14 heads played, Silva won only four, a three, two and two singles being his only successes, whereas Dallah had four threes, three twos, three singles amongst his ten winning heads.

On the adjoining rink, M. R. Abbas won surprisingly easily against A. E. Coates, the final scores being 21-12. Thanks to a good start, Abbas led 20-5 at one stage, and though he allowed his opponent to score seven on three heads, he finished the match with two on the 19th.

To win bowls matches a player frequently needs "joss." Abbas had it yesterday while Coates did not. Twice Coates gave away the shot when he was lying, and on at least one occasion Abbas was lucky either to add to the count or to take the shot.

On the whole, Coates was not playing to his usual form, having difficulty in getting his weight almost right through the match.

EXCITING TUSSLE

As expected, the match between C. F. Remedios and H. A. Alves produced a splendid struggle. There was never very much in it, although Remedios held a slight advantage all the way. On the 7th end, the winner led 6-2; at the 12th he was 9-5; at the 16th, 12-7; but then Alves staged a fine recovery between the 17th and the 20th, which not only enabled him to draw on level terms but actually to pass his opponent. Alves registered a two, three, three and one to lead 16-12 on the 20th.

At the 22nd, Alves was leading 18-13 as the result of a two, but he got stuck there at never scored again, whereas his opponent went on to his game by having one, two, two, one and three in successive heads.

The game between A. R. Minu and A. M. Omar was another close affair. The evenness of the struggle is attested by the scores:—8-7 for Minu on the 8th, 9-8 for Omar on the 9th, 9-11 for Minu on the 14th, 13-13 on the 16th, 15-16 for the 19th, 16-18 on the 21st, 19-16 for Omar on the 22nd and 19-18 on the 24th.

In the 25th head, however, Minu scored a three to win out. Also on the Rocio green, H. White defeated W. Gill by 21-13 on the 20th head. This game was not as exciting as the Minu-Omar encounter. At no stage White was leading 18-6 and though Gill made a partial recovery he had left his effort too late.

TO DAY'S MATCH

Only one match will be decided today in the Fourth Round, the contest—

Tennis

AMERICAN DOUBLES FINALS

Brookline, Mass., Aug. 21.
In the finals of the American national doubles championships, Miss Alice Marble and Mrs. Sarah Pauline Fabry, the Wimbledon champions, defeated Miss Kay Stammers and Mrs. Freda Hammersley (Great Britain) by 7-5, 8-6 in the women's event, gaining the title for the third consecutive year.

In the final of the men's event, Adrian Quist and John Bromwich (Australia) beat Jack Crawford and Harry Hopman (Australia) 8-6, 6-1, 6-4.

This is the first time that an All-Australian final has been seen since the inauguration of the championships in 1931.—Reuter.

Peter Kane Knocks Out Frenchman

Peter Kane, of Golborne, the former world fly-weight champion, quickly disposed of Pierre Louis, the French bantamweight champion, whom he beat in the third round of a contest scheduled for ten rounds, in the open air at the Louis XI Stadium at Monte Carlo on August 5. Kane did most of the attacking in the first round, but there were no real damaging punches landed.

With Louis showing willingness to mix matters, there were some fast exchanges in the second round, in which Louis broke even with Kane, who was certainly the quicker of the two. The end came suddenly, and it was rather a shock for the crowd, who had anticipated a much longer and closer fight. Louis pluckily tried to continue, but after rising from the count he was in a dazed condition, and the towel went fluttering into the ring to save him from further unnecessary punishment.

Johnny Cusick, (Manchester), British featherweight champion, outpointed Bernard Leroux (France) over ten rounds.

Francis Hutz, the French Army champion, knocked out George Marquis, the Swiss ex-Army champion in the third round.

Miss Garnham Wins Belgian Golf Title

Miss Kathleen Garnham, the English international, won the Belgian women's golf championship and J. M. Balleu, the Australian amateur, won the men's title at Le Zoute on August 5.

Miss Garnham beat Mme J. de Meulemeester, Belgium, 5 and 4 in the 36 holes final after having been three up at the end of the first round, and Balleu beat W. Storms 6 and 5, also over 36 holes, after leading by two holes on the first round. King Leopold, who was beaten in the second round of the championship, watched the match between Balleu and Storms and later presented the cups to the players. He wore a white cap and carried an umbrella. Storms missed short putts at the second, fourth, fifth and sixth holes in the second round. Mme de Meulemeester proved no match for Miss Garnham.

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Shanghai Swimming Times Impressive

JUST when Hongkong swimming officials were beginning to feel satisfied with the times returned by some of our Interport candidates in the Colony Championships, held at the V.R.C. last week, news from Shanghai regarding the amazing times of the northern stars rather shattered the confidence of these officials. Well though the Colony swimmers have performed, and while we have the greatest faith in them when they clash with Shanghai next month, we are forced to admit, in the face of the 69½ secs. for the 100 yards breast stroke by young Dick Hall, and the 66½ secs. for the 100 yards backstroke by Jack Lumsdaine, that our prospects in these two events at least are far from rosy. Hall, an 18-year-old prodigy, bettered Kwok Chun-hang's Hongkong record by no less than 3½ secs., Lumsdaine's time was an improvement by 2½ secs. over Lau Po-hui's Hongkong record. More comforting, however, is the realization that D. H. Taylor smashed the 50 yards free style record, and in returning a time of 24½ secs., he rather restored some of our former complacency.

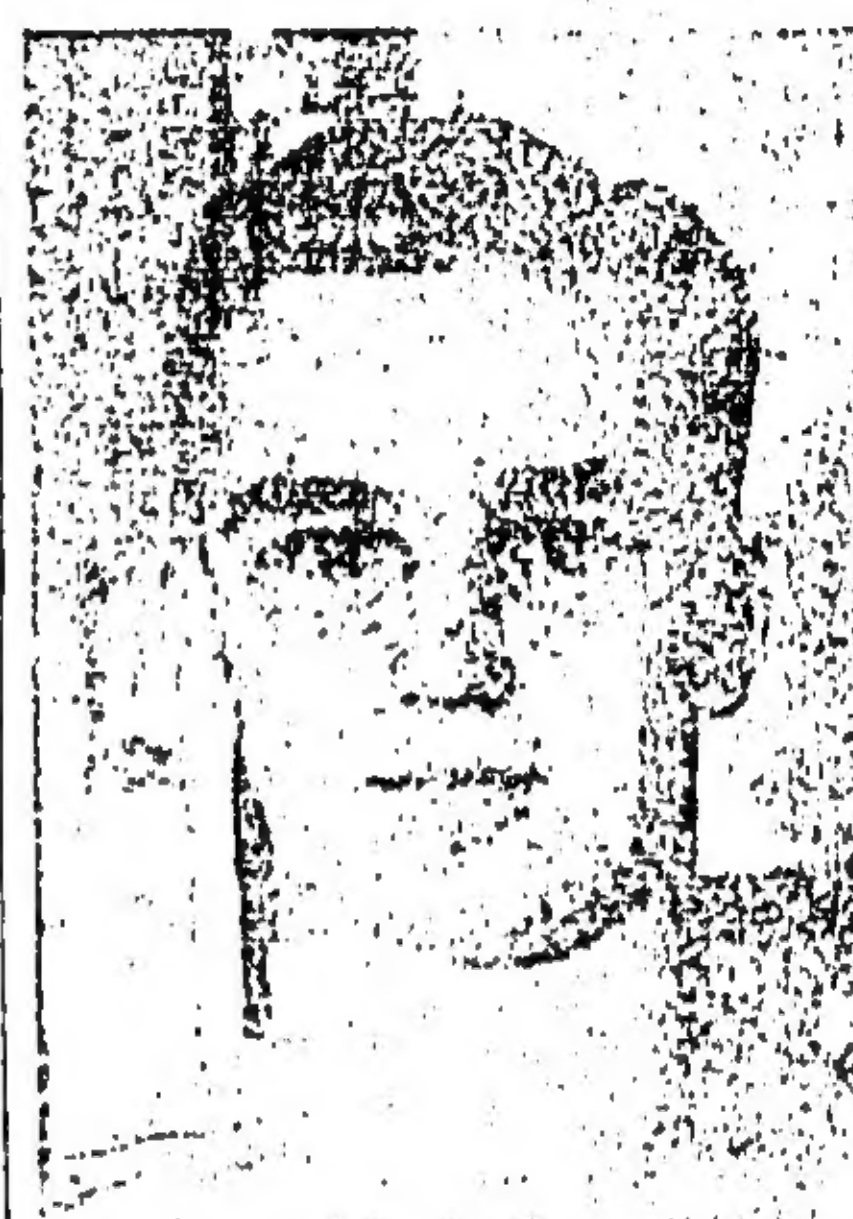
Chinese Talent

DISCUSSING Chinese talent, a Shanghai sports writer bemoans the fact that Shanghai is not as well-served in this direction as Hongkong. "It might be true in part Interports, but certainly not in the next; for most of the Chinese swimmers in the Colony do not want to go to Shanghai even if selected. Any discussion on the matter is hardly possible without stepping on some people's corns, so the less said about it the sooner mended. Nevertheless, it is a great pity that Chinese talent, of which there is an abundance at the moment, is not available for our next meeting with Shanghai for with it Hongkong would stand a chance of carrying off the honours, and without it the prospects are not nearly so good."

Shanghai's Stars

JUDGING by recent comment, Dick Hall's feat in covering the 100 yards breast-stroke in 69½ secs. must have surprised even the Shanghai officials. When he won the event last year, he covered the distance without apparent effort or opposition in 73½ secs., and it was expected that in this year's championship he would probably cut his time down to 71 seconds or thereabouts. But he astounded them by finishing in the amazingly good time of 69½ secs. Lumsdaine, if he does the 100 yards backstroke in the same time in the Interport as he did on Saturday night at the A.S.F. Gala, should just walk off with the event. But Shanghai is likely to miss Toby Gavriloff, another young swimmer, who is thought to be as good as, if not better than, Noel Hammond, a star of former Interports. He was regarded as the all-important factor in Shanghai's hopes, but at the present time he is lying behind closed doors at the

Country Hospital and there appears to be little chance of him recovering fully by September 7 when the Interport is scheduled to begin. This means that Shanghai's chances in the 100, 220, 440 and 880 have diminished



Toby Gavriloff
he is ill with typhoid.

considerably. Archie Logan, an old Interporter, in his present condition is not equal to the task of covering the 50 in 25 seconds or the 100 in 37 seconds—which he must do to beat the Hongkong men.

Campbell's Feat

SOMETIME ago when Sir Malcolm Campbell was after the land speed record, he succeeded in establishing it. Then he turned speedboat racing and also went after the water record, which he established in 1937 with an average of 126.79 miles an hour. In the same year he improved upon this mark with 129.50 miles an hour; last year he went even better with a speed of 130.94 miles an hour. Not content with resting on his laurels, Sir Malcolm has once again improved upon his own record, his new mark now being 141.74 miles an hour. Only ten years ago, Gar Wood, the American speedboat king, thought he had something when he flashed along at 83 miles an hour in his motor boat, but the speed of water racing craft has been upped 50 miles per hour since then, as the following figures will show:

Year	Driver	Nation
1929	83.12 m.p.h. Gar Wood	U.S.A.
1930	96.76 m.p.h. Sir Henry	U.S.A.
1931	107.55 m.p.h. Gar Wood	U.S.A.
1932	107.48 m.p.h. Kaye Don	Britain
1933	110.25 m.p.h. Kaye Don	Britain
1934	111.63 m.p.h. Gar Wood	U.S.A.
1935	118.75 m.p.h. Kaye Don	Britain
1936	124.65 m.p.h. Gar Wood	U.S.A.
1937	126.79 m.p.h. Sir Malcolm	Campbell Britain
1938	129.50 m.p.h. Sir Malcolm	Campbell Britain
1939	130.94 m.p.h. Sir Malcolm	Campbell Britain
1939	141.74 m.p.h. Sir Malcolm	Campbell Britain

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Miss Kathleen Garnham, who won the ladies' 440 yards free style event in the Colony swimming championships.—Staff Photographer.



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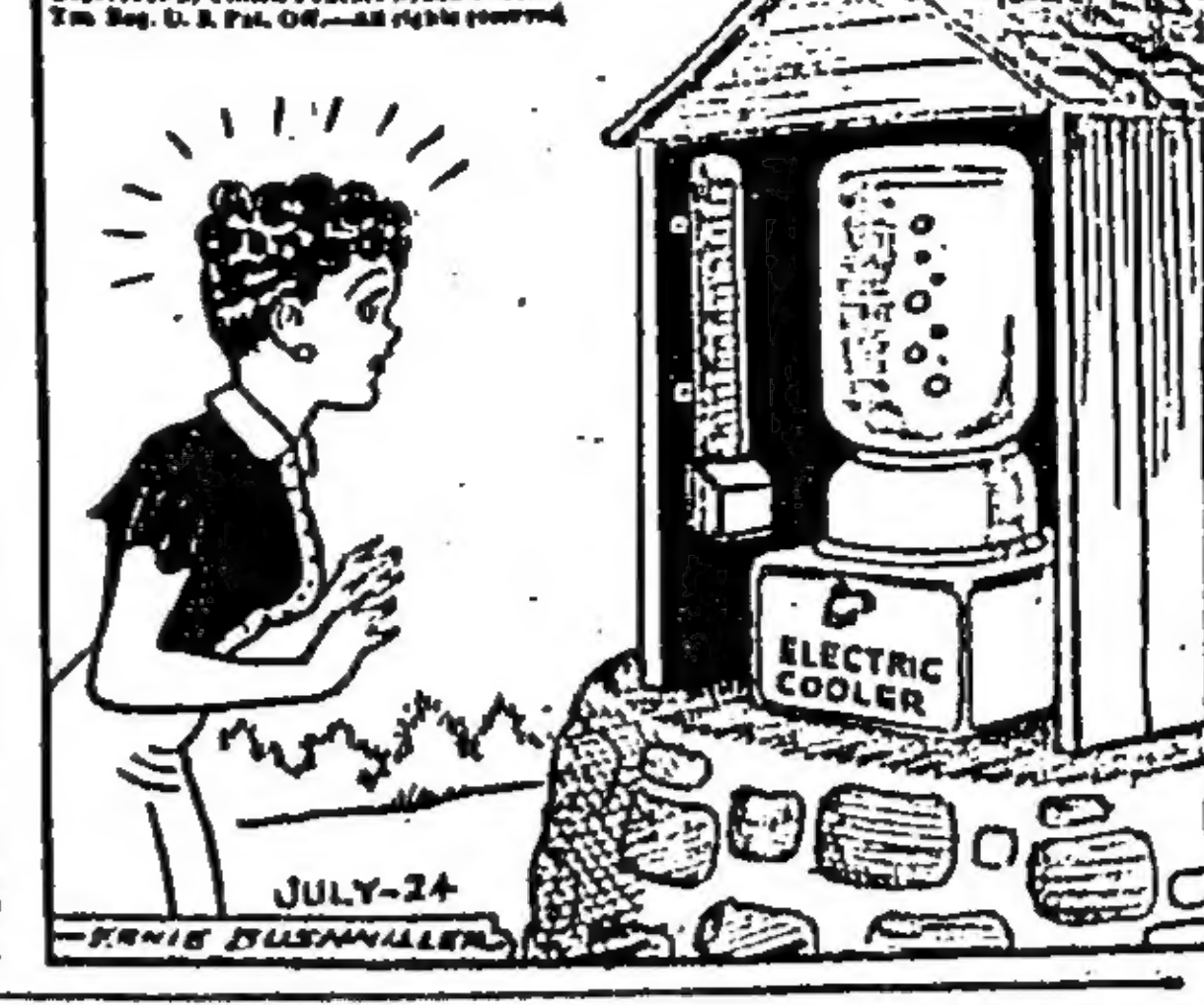
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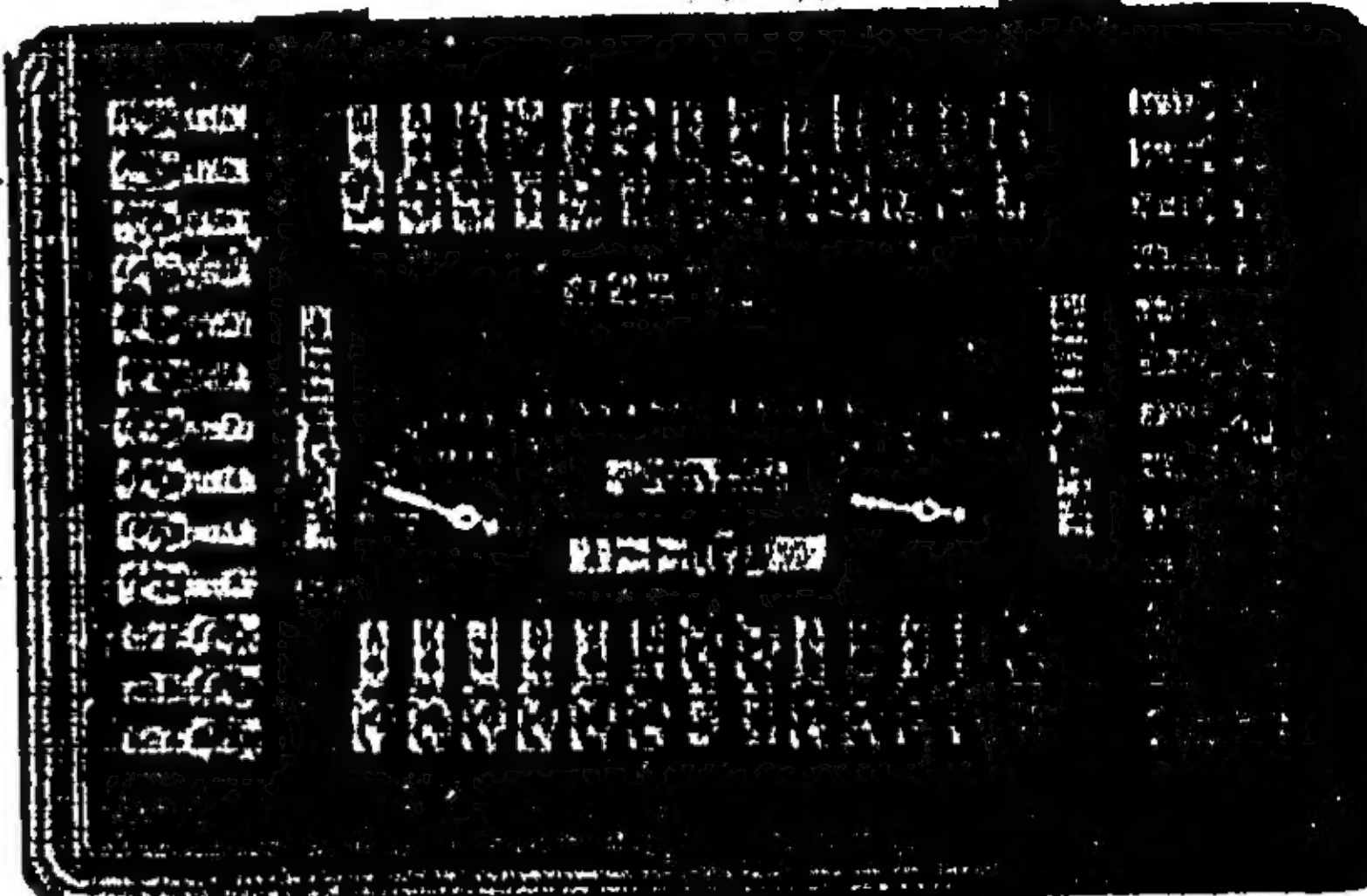
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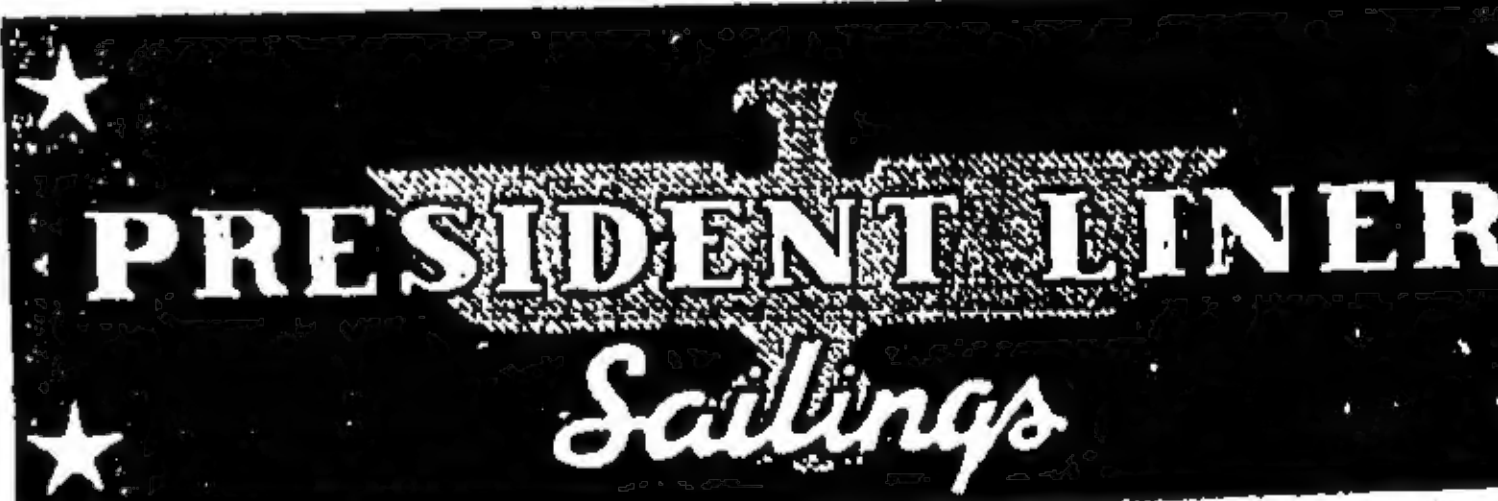


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ENGLISH SELECTORS SET MORE PROBLEMS

Information On Some Of The New Testites: Facts And Figures

There can have been very few Selection Committees in the last thirty years or so that have given general satisfaction. There have been none so far as I know who ever explained the reasons for what they did, and the public and the cricket writers are left to guess for themselves.

As regards this year's selections and perhaps has been too good an all-rounder to achieve that particular level either in batting and bowling which brings a man into a Test side regularly. E. W. Clarke though no batsman has on several occasions been preferred as a left hand fast bowler. Leyland, tho' no comparison exists between them in bowling, far surpasses him as a left hand batsman. Yet Nichols has so far accomplished the "Cricketers' Double" (1000 runs and 100 wickets in the same season) eight times, 1929, 1932, 1933, 1935-6-7-8-9, and in the last five years has each time been the first player to complete the double. It is only when one dies as far into records as I have done that one realises what a worthy cricketer Nichols is, and that one has come to take him for granted except in the Test Class.

W. W. KEETON
Another rather a surprise selection until I dug into the various volumes of Wisden, when I began to realise the position. Keeton, born in 1905, first appeared for Nottingham in 1929 when he played 5 innings for an average of 22.00. But even after this promising start he was forced out of the side by the plethora of splendid batsmen the County had at that period. He played one innings only in 1930 (12 runs) and did not appear at all in 1931. In 1931, however, after the sad death of W. Whysall and the retirement of Paynter he made good and his subsequent figures as shown in this table are very interesting.

Innings	Total	Average	Centuries
1931	42	11.40	2
1932	41	16.60	6
1933	40	20.25	1
1934	39	16.07	1
1935	39	6.01	3
1936	47	12.50	2
1937	40	18.00	4
1938	50	14.07	3

It will be seen that he was very consistent in 1932/3/4 and in the latter year he played for England against Australia, going in first with C. F. Walters at Leeds and scoring 25 and 12. It must be admitted however that he only got his place because Sutcliffe was suffering from a strain.

VARIATIONS
It will be noted that Keeton's figures dropped right away in 1935, but this was the result of an unfortunate motor accident in the previous winter. He did not come into the side until late June, and his set back seems to have put him out of the running, especially as Sutcliffe was still going strong. He recovered his form in 1937 but fell off in 1938 owing to ill health, as he had to undergo an operation for appendicitis in October. This season he has been bowling consistently and made 312 not out against Middlesex on 15th July last, although he already had completed his thousand runs.

A PARTNER TO HUTTON
It is clear that the problem of who is to partner Hutton had not yet been solved. Gimblett and Egg have both failed and Edrich (dead out of form this year) has proved he has not the test match temperament. It looks as if Keeton might be a solution though he most unfortunately made a duck in the first innings. However, Edrich had many chances and Keeton looks promising.

R. T. D. PERKS
Perks of Worcestershire has been coming along steadily as a fast medium bowler, accurate of length and with a disconcerting swing. His pace, I gather, has increased considerably in the last couple of seasons. He first played for his county in 1930 and has gradually worked up his number of victims until he has come to be one of most dependable bowlers in county cricket. His figures since 1934 are as follows.

Innings	Wickets	Average
1934	95	27.72
1935	119	21.58
1936	121	18.80
1937	122	21.98
1938	132	23.59

It must be remembered that Worcester is not a strong bowling county and he gets overworked. He was not selected for the Players at Lords in 1938 and has presumably done this year but has presumably done some good work since. Up to



Raymond Lui and his Hawaiian Serenaders who will be appearing on the stage of the Queen's Theatre for three days from Thursday.

Swimming

S'HAI PREPARES FOR INTERPORT

Shanghai, Aug. 17.
At a meeting of the Shanghai Amateur Swimming Association held at noon yesterday, confirmation of the cable advice received from Hongkong was read in a letter received from the Colony's swimming body, advising the local group that the visiting swimmers would leave the Southern port on the s.s. Wingsang on August 27 and would arrive on August 31. Other members of the team would leave Hongkong on an Empress liner on September 3 and would arrive here later.

With the news that the visitors are definitely sending a team here, preparations are being speeded up to make the interport contest as successful as those which preceded it. Yesterday's meeting was a preliminary to the main event, the interport swimming gala, which will be held on September 7, 8 and 9. The Hongkong team is sending a team of twelve swimmers, including representatives in the various swimming events and in the relays and water polo. It is expected they will be a fairly good side and Shanghai will have to go out strongly to beat them.

The ailment of Toby Gavriloff has at last been diagnosed as Typhus, which means that he will be out of active participation for the whole summer and will definitely not be able to take part in the interport. His absence will be a tremendous loss, and the local team will have to look around for a swimmer to replace him. In the two Chinese swimmers, Z. K. Lok and C. L. Wen, Shanghai has two discoveries, but neither has recorded as good time as Gavriloff.

Shanghai will have the best chance in the breast stroke and the backstroke, as her two young swimmers, R. Hall, the breast stroke champion, and J. Lumadine the backstroke swimmer, should not only win their respective events, but are tipped to break the interport records for these events.

Water polo prospects are rosy, and Shanghai should be well in the running to win this as well as the relay swim events, with the aforementioned two young swimmers to represent the locals in the breast and backstroke.

Preparations for the interport swimming gala are being speeded up.

Manila, Aug. 21.
The Philippines Amateur Athletic Federation Football Committee is planning to meet this week to prepare for the invasion of the South China football team. Probably four or five games will be arranged for late September.

The Federation has received a letter from Manila according to the invitation extended recently to the South China players at present touring the Far East in preparation for the Olympics. It is intended to ask the local teams to commence training early, as the local season usually does not begin until November.

The South China team is said to include 21 players, headed by the popular Lee Wai-long—United Press.

British Ryder Cup Players

London, Aug. 21.
The following golfers have been selected to represent Great Britain in the Ryder Cup match against the United States at Ponte Vedra, Florida, on November 18 and 19:
Henry Cotton (Captain), J. L. Adams, Richard Burton, Sam King, Alfred Padgham, Dai Rees, Charles Whitcombe and Reginald Whitcombe.—Reuter.

Tennis League

Hongkong C.C. Defeated By Chinese R.C.

Although beaten 7½-1½ in an "A" division tennis fixture at Causeway Bay by the Chinese Recreation Club yesterday, the Hongkong Cricket Club were unfortunate not to have won at least two more sets.

The Tsui brothers, Hongkong doubles champions, started off well by easily beating Rode and Monaghan, but played very erratically against Goldman and Pugh to lose 6-4. The brothers looked like losing their last sets when they were led 4-0 by Pearce and Sander, but they tightened up their play to win 6-4.

The Hongkong Cricket Club players played hard driving hard on both hands and coming out quite even with the opposition in the volleying duels. Goldman and Pugh were the best of the Club players, while Hung and Iu played steady tennis to win their three sets. Kong was on form with his first service, but lost a number of points by netting of easy volleys. He was partnered by Ho, who gave good support.

The home team led 2½-½ at the end of the first round, and were 4½-1½ at the end of the second. The games finished in semi-darkness owing to lateness in starting.

W. P. and Y. P. Tsui beat H. Rode and T. C. Monaghan 6-3; lost to Z. Goldman and M. Pugh 4-6; beat T. A. Pearce and W. Sander 6-4.

W. Hung and Iu Tak-cheuk beat Rode and Monaghan 6-4; beat Goldman and Pugh 6-4; beat Pearce and Sander 6-3.

Paul Kong and Ho Ka-lau beat Rode and Monaghan 6-2; beat Goldman and Pugh 6-3; tied with Pearce and Sander.

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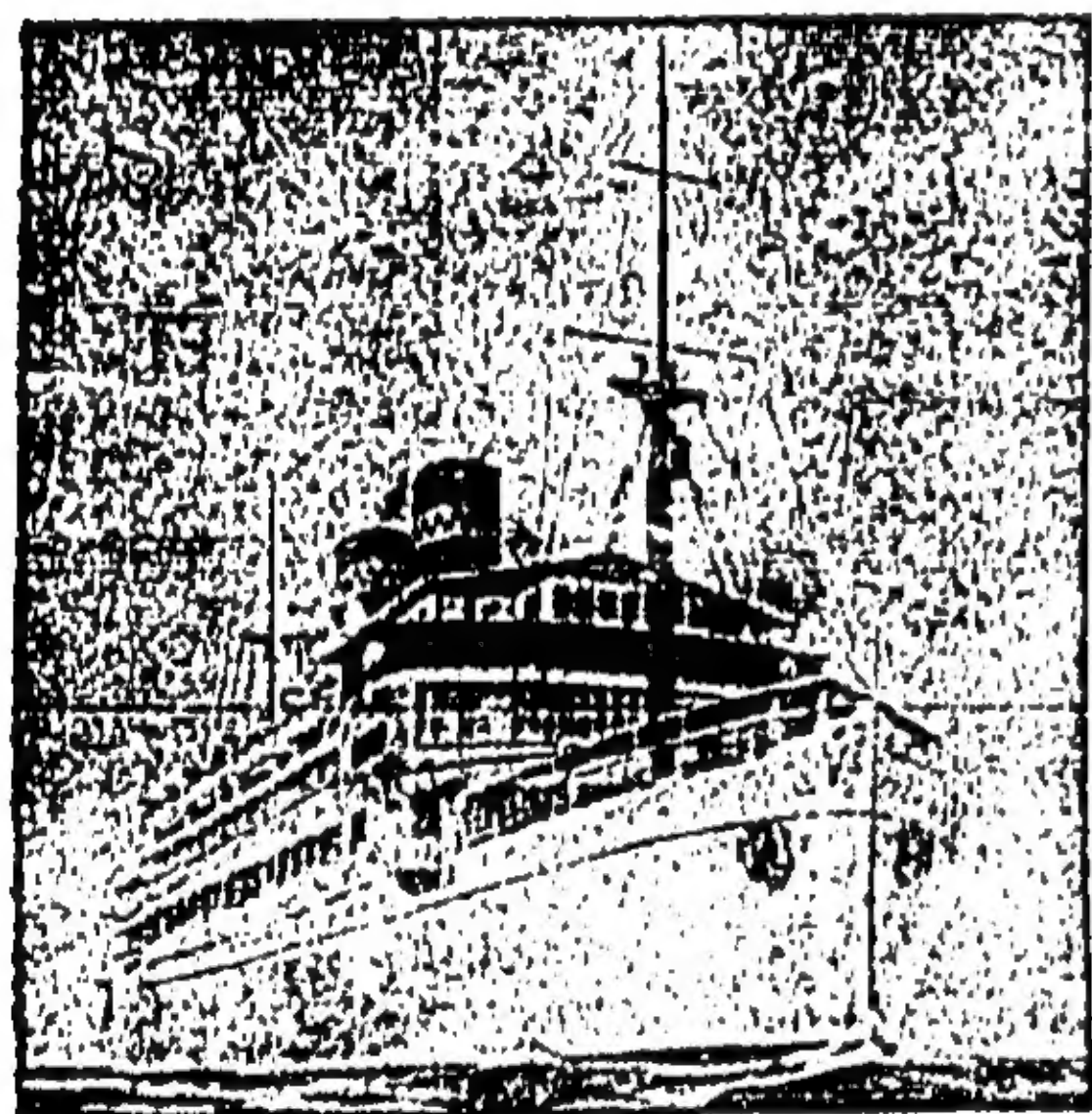
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Do this some time before you cook and then the seasonings will have a chance to do their job properly. Indeed, some people make a point of putting their breakfast tomatoes ready overnight so that they shall be well and truly seasoned.

Tomato Cocktail

An excellent non-alcoholic mixture. Sieve half a pound of tomatoes, add the juice of a lemon and a teaspoonful of tomato ketchup with half a teaspoonful of Worcester sauce, and shake well with crushed ice. Serve in small glasses.

The First Course

You can serve this in place of grape-fruit when friends come to dinner.

Put slices of skinned tomato into glasses alternately with slices of peeled orange. Cover with a sauce made of orange juice, a few drops of white vinegar and a little oil, these carefully blended together with a wooden spoon. Sprinkle a little chopped parsley on top of each and serve ice cold.

A Favourite Soup

Ingredients: 1 large onion, 3oz. dripping, 1/2 lb. cut-up tomatoes, parsley and bayleaf, 2 tablespoons ground rice, a few drops cochineal, 1 tablespoonful vinegar, 1 quart stock, 1/4 pint unsweetened tinned milk.

Thinly slice the onion and put it into a large pan with the dripping, tomatoes, parsley and bayleaf. Set the lid on the pan and cook the mixture for quarter of an hour over low heat, stirring occasionally.

Mix in the ground rice, cochineal and vinegar and add the stock. Bring to the boil and simmer for half an hour. Pass through a sieve or strainer and re-heat with the unsweetened tinned milk. Serve with small squares of toast or fried bread.

Savoury Macaroni

Macaroni, spaghetti and rice blend extremely well with tomatoes. First

the macaroni dish. Here the tomatoes should be skinned, so drop them into boiling water for a couple of minutes and you'll find the peel comes away easily.

Ingredients: 4oz. macaroni, 3 medium sized tomatoes, 1 small onion, 1oz. margarine or butter, bread-crumbs, salt and pepper.

Boil the macaroni in salted water for twenty minutes, drain and mix with the chopped onion and seasoning. Add the cut-up skinned tomatoes and lay all in a greased dish.

Cover with a good layer of bread-crumbs, put the butter in small pieces on top and bake in a moderate oven.

Cheese & Tomatoes

Quickly and easily made and a nice supper dish. Useful recipe when friends drop in unexpectedly.

Ingredients: 1/2 oz. spaghetti, 6oz. sieved tomatoes, 2oz. grated cheese, a tablespoonful top milk or unsweetened tinned milk, 2oz. bread-crumbs.

Boil the spaghetti in salted water for twenty minutes, drain and mix with the sieved tomatoes and bread-crumbs and make hot together. In a separate pan stir cheese and milk until quite smooth.

Put the tomato mixture into a pie-dish, cover with cheese mixture and brown under the grill or in the oven.

If you want to make the dish even more substantial place a shelled soft-boiled egg for each person between the two mixtures and then brown.

For a Hot Snack

When a hot snack is wanted try this appetizing savoury.

Allow two tomatoes per person for this dish.

Ingredients: 8 tomatoes, 3oz. plain-boiled rice, 1 1/2oz. butter or margarine, 2 tablespoonsful grated cheese, salt, pepper and parsley.

Cut a small piece of the top of each tomato and scoop out the pulp. Put the latter into a small pan with the butter, and when hot add the boiled rice, seasoning and grated cheese. Fill the mixture into the tomato cases, sprinkle chopped parsley on top and lay all on a greased tin. Bake in a hot oven for fifteen minutes. Dish on rounds of hot buttered toast.

Unusual Fruit Salad

This is an out-of-the-ordinary way of preparing a salad. Season the ingredients: 4 tomatoes, 2 tablesp. shredded pineapple, 2 tablesp. chopped apple, mayonnaise, young lettuce and beetroot.

Cut a thin slice off the tomato tops and scoop out the pulp. Season the pulp with salt and pepper and set aside for half an hour. Mix the apple, pineapple, chopped pulp and mayonnaise and fill into the cases. Arrange all on a bed of crisp lettuce leaves and garnish with beetroot.

SNOWBALLS

YOU must scoop the pulp from the tomatoes, leaving unbroken cases.

Ingredients: Short pastry, 1lb. tomatoes, 2oz. cooked ham, 1 tablespoonful chopped parsley, 1 chopped onion, 1 egg, 1oz. dripping, seasoning, 4 mushrooms.

Cut a thin slice off the top of each tomato and scoop out the pulp. Fry the chopped onion in the dripping until pale brown, add the shredded ham, chopped mushrooms, parsley, and some of the pulp and cook for five minutes.

Break in the egg and stir till thick without boiling and season to taste. Fill the mixture into the prepared cases and replace the top slices.

Lay each on a square of thin rolled short pastry, pinch the edges together so that the tomatoes are entirely enclosed, and bake for about fifteen minutes in a hot oven until nicely browned. (Recipe Mark 7.)

Tactless Parents

BOBBY was full of good resolutions when he came home after a visit to his aunt. His aunt was very particular about manners, and Bobby's somewhat officious way of opening doors for his mother annoyed that busy parent.

"For goodness sake, don't keep hobnobbing up and down to open doors for me," she expostulated. "It's quite unnecessary. Other things are far more important. If you want to be polite."

Snubbed and discouraged, the boy gave up his efforts after politeness, and when he was reproved for pushing on to a bus in front of elderly people, excused himself with, "Oh, mummy doesn't think that sort of thing matters."

That, of course, was not what his mother had meant, but she had made the mistake of discouraging well-meant efforts, and it will take the child some time to adjust his views on the matter.

Grown-ups who are completely tactful with their contemporaries are often tactless with children.

Some parents complain that Peter or Joan is "such a difficult child." They never seem to realize that from the children's point of view they are very "difficult" parents.

They jump to the conclusion that a child is being naughty when often the naughtiness springs from a desire to be helpful, or to please one of his parents.

C. H.

Important Accessories

GOOD gloves can help greatly to enhance the beauty of a shapey hand. When choosing a glove, see that the thumb is well cut, so that there is no "pull" to make an ugly crease. Buy gloves that have good gussets, and taper rather pointedly at the finger-tips; this allows the nail, whatever its shape, to fit snugly into the tip, and the fingers to be well smoothed down into the glove.

Gloves are very decorative to-day. Made of all the fabrics one can think of from string to satin, and from leather to lace, they are an important part of a modern ensemble.

Women with large hands who wear a dark glove with a small light gusset will deflect attention from the hand and make it appear smaller. Hostelry is another fashion point that needs to be considered.

To slim a broad ankle there are stockings that have a pointed piece of fabric woven at the back of the ankle from the heel, extending about three inches above the top of the back to the shoe. This, worked in a slightly darker shade than the rest of the stocking, has a slimming effect.

Always take the trouble to see that the back seam is straight, or a clumsy, ungroomed appearance will result.

Stockings with lace insets and stockings imitating woven net make a periodical appearance on the market, but these are primarily for women with thin legs and slim ankles.

Few women realise that a well-fitting stocking is as important as a well-fitting shoe.

It is best always to wash new stockings before wearing them, as they are less likely to wrinkle and to ladder.

L. D.

A Tea-Time Stand-By

HERE is a very economical recipe for shortbread biscuits:—7 oz. plain flour, 1 oz. ground rice, 4 oz. margarine, 2 oz. caster sugar.

Work all together with the hand until soft and pliable. No liquid is required. Roll out to about 1/4 inch thickness and cut out biscuits. Bake in a moderate oven for 15 minutes. This quantity makes about three dozen biscuits. Stored in a tin, these biscuits are invaluable as a reserve for unexpected visitors, because they can be transformed in five minutes into a variety of tea-time dainties. Here are a few suggestions:—

As biscuits, sprinkled with caster sugar. It is a good plan to keep in store a small quantity of pink sugar. A plateful of pink and white looks more attractive than all white.

Spread with jam and sprinkle thickly with desiccated coconut.

Ice with chocolate icing. Decorate with halved cherries and walnuts.

Join two biscuits together with raspberry jam, ice and top with a cherry or small blob of pink icing. (By adding a drop of carmine to remaining white icing.)

Other ideas will suggest themselves.

R. K.

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Instead of tape loops sew curtain rings on oven cloths, tea cloths, etc. They can then be hung up in a moment.

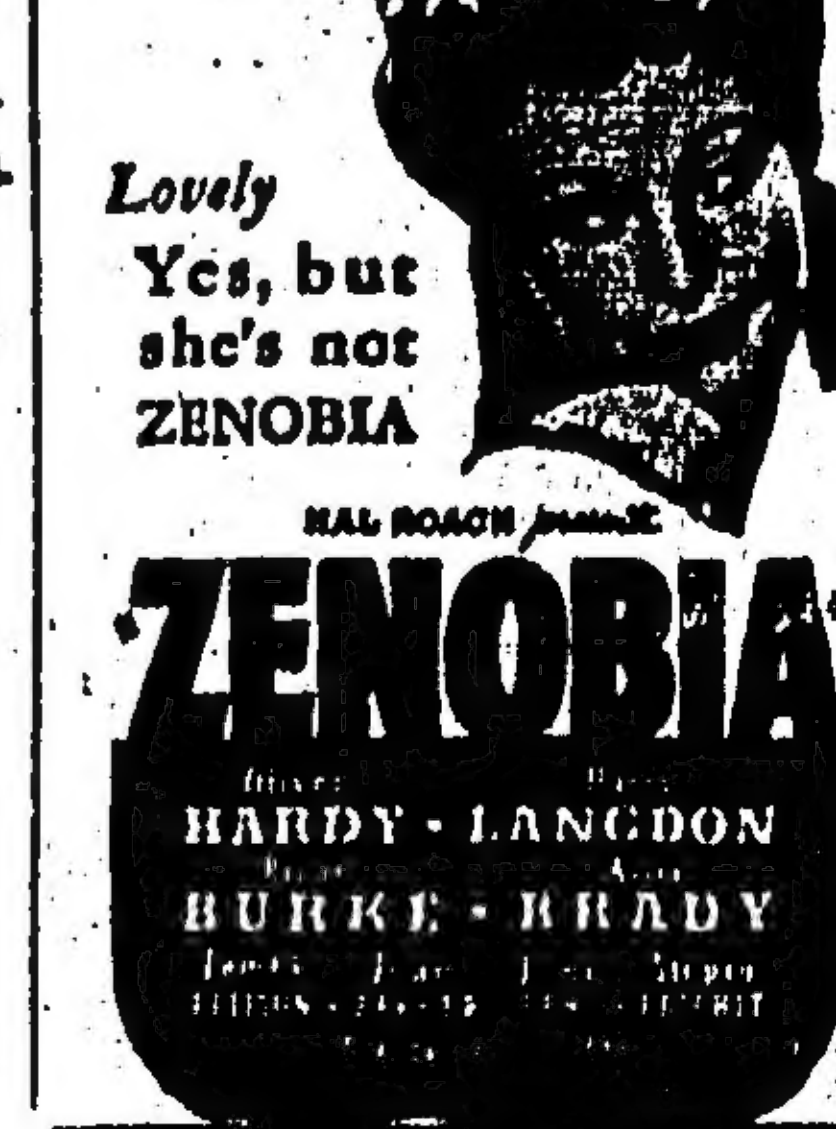
Aluminium pans will wash perfectly clean on the outside if they are rubbed over with grease before being used on the stove.



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Daring Robbery

THIEVES ATTACK WOMAN

Mrs. Emily Wood, of 4 Embankment Road, Kowloon Tong, was attacked yesterday afternoon and almost lost her handbag containing money and a valuable wrist watch.

One of the robbers was caught and handed over to the Police.

Details of the attack were refused by the Police when enquiries were made, but from other sources it was learned that Mrs. Wood was walking with a little girl in Waterloo Road near Rutland Quadrant about 3.15 p.m. when two Chinese, who had been following, suddenly drew level.

One of the men suddenly seized Mrs. Wood, while the other made a grab at her handbag. Mrs. Wood hung on to her bag and struggled with the man, calling for help at the same time. The thieves, taking fright, bolted and were pursued by Mrs. Wood and some passers-by who had been attracted by her shouts.

After a short chase one of the robbers was caught. The other got away.

The handbag contained \$78.63, a fountain pen and a gold wrist watch valued at \$200.

Japanese Premier Sees Emperor

EUROPEAN SITUATION DISCUSSED

Tokyo, Aug. 21. Baron Kichiro Hiruma, the Prime Minister, was received in audience by the Emperor this morning, when the Premier reported on home and foreign affairs.

The Premier was later received by Mr. Kurauchi Yuna, the Lord Keeper of Privy Seal. They were understood to have discussed Japan's policy in Europe.

It is understood that Baron Hiruma told the Lord Privy Seal that the Government was maintaining a serious attitude in a meeting of the Five-Minister Conference as soon as possible with a view to determining the Government's policy towards the European situation.

Conference Called

Tokyo, Aug. 21. The question of co-operation with the Axis Powers will be determined at a Ministerial conference, which according to the Kokumin Shinbun, has been called by Baron Hiruma for tomorrow afternoon.

LATE NEWS

Text Of Peace Pact Communique

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Aug. 21 (UP).—The text of an official communique issued today was as follows:

"The Reich and Russia have agreed to conclude a non-aggression pact with each other. A report has been received by the Foreign Office saying that the negotiations in Moscow have been concluded."

A German Foreign Office spokesman said Herr Ribbentrop is flying to Moscow on Wednesday.

The announcement, dumbfounded diplomatic circles here because the negotiations were kept absolutely secret.

Shares Fall On Peace Pact News

Before the newspapers were on the street this morning, financial circles had gathered the news that Herr von Ribbentrop was going to Moscow.

Result in London: War Loans made an unprecedented drop of £1. Hongkong Bank shares were quoted at £4 less in London, a drop of 564 in local currency.

Sequel To Attack On Woman

A sequel to the alleged attack on Mrs. Emily Wood of 4, Embankment Road in which she was robbed yesterday of money and valuables occurred this morning when Chan Hoi, 28-year-old unemployed was charged with highway robbery with violence.

It was alleged that Chan attacked Mrs. Wood and stole from her a gold wristlet watch, a fountain pen and \$78.63 in money.

Inspector H. E. Rogers asked for a remand in custody of 72 hours, which was granted.

Interned Soldiers In Court

Nine interned Chinese soldiers appeared in the Kowloon court this morning charged with disorderly conduct by fighting in the Matsu-chung internment camp on Saturday last.

They all pleaded not guilty and the case will be heard later this morning.

One defendant, Chang Po, appeared in the dock with his head bandaged. Police state that fighting broke out in the camp about 9 o'clock on Saturday night.

OBITUARY

The death occurred on Sunday at the age of 52, of Mr. Jick Wong, a Chinese Government official who had been residing in Hongkong for some time.

Mr. Wong was born in America, having received his early education in American Universities and was one of the early graduates in civil engineering.

After returning to China, Mr. Wong served under the famous Chinese engineer, Dr. Jim Tien-yao, who built, and later was Director General of, the Peiping-Suiyuan Railway.

An eminent engineer Mr. Wong had, throughout the most part of his life, been connected with the Chinese Government railway service. He was at one time senior technical expert of the Ministry of Railways under Dr. Sun Fo. Until recently he was Chief Engineer of the Peiping-Hankow Railway.

Mr. Wong had been confined in hospital for some months suffering from nephritis and high blood pressure, and finally succumbed to heart failure.

His remains will be conveyed to Shanghai for burial.

He is survived by a widow and three children.—Central News.

MR. HARRY WOODHOUSE A Well-known Shanghai American Resident

Shortly after he had been demobilized from active duty, with the American Machine Gun Co., S.V.C., Mr. Harry Falcon Woodhouse, of the American Asiatic Underwriters, died in an ambulance at Shanghai, last week, while he was being conveyed to the County Hospital.

Mr. Woodhouse was demobilized on Monday night at 8 p.m. and died six and a half hours later from heart failure, which resulted from asthma from which he had suffered for some years.

Mr. Woodhouse was born at Eldon, Iowa, on March 2, 1894 and was educated at Lawton, Oklahoma, and at Oklahoma State University. He served in the American Army as a field clerk in the Field Artillery during the Great War and later acted as personal stenographer to General Leonard Wood in the Philippines.

He came to Shanghai in 1923 to join the China General Edison Co., serving with that firm until 1933. He had been with the A.A.U. for the past two and one half years and was Assistant Marine Manager of that firm at the time of his death.

Mr. Woodhouse was a private in the American Machine Gun Co. and served throughout the 1937 hostilities. During the emergency period of the week-end, he was on duty with his unit until "stand down" was announced and went off duty apparently quite well only to be stricken in the early hours of the morning. He is survived by his father, brother and sister, all of Lawton, Oklahoma.—N. C. D. News.

LETTERS

Farm Produce Prices

The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—In a spirit more of curiosity than of criticism I proceeded on one of my regular purchasing tours of the retail market at Reclamation Street, Yau-mat, on Saturday afternoon. The report that a decided shortage of vegetables was making itself already felt and that prices had risen sharply in consequence prompted an inquisitive mind to verify facts. Here is the result of a brief investigation; if it should serve no other purpose it will, at least tend to relieve the disturbed minds of economical housewives with the comforting thought that they, and their dear husbands and kiddies, need not have to go without the ample supplies to which our citizens have been so cheaply accustomed—or shall I say indolently spoiled—as a matter of course in Hongkong.

With the advantage of a knowledge of colloquial Chinese I was able to conduct my inquiries in the market stallholders' own language. The charge of faked prices through faulty interpretation need not be suspected, nor can deliberate misquotation of prices be sustained. As a regular customer I received answers from the stallholders or their folks in the ordinary way.

Comparative Prices
Now let the comparative prices speak for themselves. The unit of weight is cantars, not pounds.

Vegetables:	7 cents	7 cents
Potatoes:	7	7
Spinach:	7	7
Pumpkin:	7	7
String Beans:	24	32

The explanation for the increase in the price of the last item is that beans were going out of season.

Previous Week's Saturday's Prices

Vegetables:	7 cents	7 cents
Potatoes:	7	7
Spinach:	7	7
Pumpkin:	7	7
String Beans:	24	32

The reason for the substantial reduction in the price of persimmons is the fact that in the previous week the fruit had just come into season; the supply has since been more plentiful.

Previous Week's Saturday's Prices

Pears (Chinese):	12 cents	12 cents
Pears (superior quality):	15	16
Guaava (superior quality):	5	1/8
Pineapples, Tuen Wan variety (about 5 of season):	8	8
Pineapples, (imported variety):	10	12

Another notable feature observable in the course of the afternoon's visit was that there was an abundant supply of the different fruits and vegetables, and every stallholder was doing a brisk business in the cheery spirit so characteristic of Chinese, vendor, and patrons alike.

It has been for me a pleasing practice for many years to visit the markets at regular intervals. If my little experience of last Saturday related above should help to promote the popularity of the markets among European housewives, I would assure them that they have all to gain and nothing to lose—except, perhaps, the eyes of their friends that the practice would be *infra dig*.

J. P. BRAGA.

DEVELOP THE N.T.

Sir,—Regardless of official statements that Hongkong food supplies will not be affected at present by the blockade of the boundary between China and the New Territories, I notice the price of vegetables has already gone up considerably and this is confirmed by reports in your paper. It is not time that some big movement is started to develop the New Territories in order to overcome this shortage of vegetables etc. and the additional cost of living? We have read a good deal about the possibility of making Hongkong more self-sufficient in regard to food stuffs, but nothing ever seems to materialize.

Could not the Government take this matter up before it is too late?

Progress.

I.R.A. Expulsions

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The Home Secretary, Sir Samuel Hoare, has now signed 113 orders under the Prevention of Violence Act, comprising 85 expulsions, eight prohibition and 20 registration orders.

The two latest orders, one for expulsion and the other for prohibition, both concern women.

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NURSE RETURNS SAFELY

Miss Lam Kin-hung returned home safe last night by making a simple escape after evading the Japanese in occupation of the hospital at Nam-tai.

The nurse thought out a simple ruse by which she gained her freedom and the safety of British territory. It is stated that three of the patients in her charge were discharged as fit to go home. The fourth was fit to go home this morning, and the Japanese agreed to let him go.

Some time after she left the hospital, Miss Lam told the Japanese that the patient had left some clothes behind and it was necessary for her to go after him. The Japanese acceded to her request. By devious routes she eventually reached Lo Fan Shan in British territory, where she met Mr. Alfred Morris, head of St. John Ambulance Brigade, who brought her home.

Miss Lam was set at the doorstep by her husband who has undergone a trying ordeal during her absence. During the short stay in Japanese-occupied area, Miss Lam was not treated lavishly nor in a harsh way. She was not molested in any way.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Aug. 21.			
New York Cotton			
	Opening	Closing	
Oct.	8.67/89	8.68/89	
Dec.	8.53/52	8.56/50	
Jan.	8.40/40	8.42/41	
Mar.	8.33/31	8.34/34	
May	8.15/16	8.16/18	
July	8.02/01	8.02/02	
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New York Rubber			
Sept.	10.08/05	10.07/07	
Dec.	10.05/03	10.02/02	
Mar.	10.00/00	10.02/02	
May	10.00/00	10.01/01	
Total sales for the day—930 tons.			
Chicago Wheat			
Sept.	67 3/4/67 3/4	68 1/4/68 1/4	
Dec.	68 1/4/68 1/4	67 3/4/67 3/4	
May	68 1/4/68 1/4	68 1/4/68 1/4	
Saturday's sales—9,920,000 bushels.			
Chicago Corn			
Sept.	44 3/4/44 3/4	44 3/4/44 3/4	
Dec.	43 3/4/43 3/4	43 3/4/43 3/4	
May	43 3/4/43 3/4	43 3/4/43 3/4	
Winnipeg Wheat			
Oct.	53 3/4/53 3/4	53 3/4/53 3/4	
Dec.	54 3/4/54 3/4	54 3/4/54 3/4	
May	54 3/4/54 3/4	54 3/4/54 3/4	

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Sir R. Craigie's Neuralgia

Nikko, Aug. 21 (Domei).—Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador, who has been spending the week-end here on short vacation following his recent arduous work in connection with the Tokyo negotiations, is unwell.

He is confined to his bed with acute pain in the left arm, which Dr. Kamemori, President of the Nikko Hospital, has diagnosed as neuralgia in the left shoulder.

It is understood that Sir Robert will be obliged to remain in Nikko for a period in order to recuperate.



Shanghai Shooting Affair Reactions

Japanese Taking Grave View

Ponderous Statement Is Issued

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Aug. 22. (Domei).—INDICATIVE of the fact that Japanese authorities are taking a grave view of the Jessfield Road incident, intense activity has been shown in Japanese official circles here since last Sunday.

An emergency joint conference between the Army and the Navy took place at the Headquarters of the Japanese Navy's special service mission yesterday afternoon.

Colonel Usumonori of the Army Commander Mitsunobu of the Navy, who had just returned here from Tokyo, submitted to the conference detailed reports on the results of their consultations with the Central authorities in Tokyo.

It was understood that following the conference the situation will make important developments in the immediate future. Present at the emergency conference were Major-General Suzuki and Takashita of the General Staff, Admiral Kaseki of the Navy, and Admiral Kaseki of the Navy. The meeting lasted until late last night.

"Flagrantly Hostile Act"

A statement issued by the Japanese Consulate-General says that it constitutes a flagrantly hostile act against the Chinese Municipal Government that the Shanghai Municipal Council police fired on the Chinese Municipal police on duty in Jessfield Road on Saturday, resulting in a number of deaths.

RIBBENTROP GOING TO MOSCOW WEDNESDAY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (UP).—It has been learned from official sources that the German Foreign Minister, Herr Von Ribbentrop, is going to Moscow on Wednesday to conclude negotiations for a German-Soviet non-aggression pact.

Thrilling Story Of Detective's Robber Chase

A PISTOL duel between a wounded detective, and four armed robbers and the shooting and killing of a woman pedestrian were some of the special features detailed by Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor in opening the dramatic armed robbery trial, in which three men were arraigned before His Honour the Chief Justice Sir Atholl MacGregor at the Criminal Sessions to-day.

The defendants were Tsang Sang, 32, Lai Yau, 31, and Yau Sang, 32, and apart from other offences they were charged with robbing a goldsmith's shop at 449 Shanghai Street, Yau-mat, on May 30, of 76 gold finger rings, 75 gold bangles, 12 gold earrings, and 21 other gold ornaments.

Yau Sang, pleaded guilty to the charge of robbery and possession of arms and ammunition, but the other two men pleaded not guilty to all the counts against them.

Tsang Sang was further charged with intent to murder L/Sergeant Clifford Pope, and alternatively with shooting with intent to maim, disfigure or disable Sergeant Pope, or in order to resist lawful arrest. He was also charged with the possession of arms and ammunition, a master pistol and 92 rounds of ammunition.

Lai Yau was additionally charged with possession of rounds of ammunition and an automatic pistol, 45 rounds of ammunition and an ammunition clip; shooting with intent to murder police constable C.C.357, Ho Pook, and alternatively shooting with intent to maim, disfigure or disable C.C.354, or in order to resist lawful arrest.

Yau Sang was charged with possession of 10 rounds of ammunition, and an ammunition clip.

H. K. BORDER SITUATION

British Authorities Tighten Restrictions

Further tightening up of restrictions along the British side of the border was announced by the Military authorities this morning.

As from to-day, the border track from Shatukok to Sheung Shui has been completely closed to the public, and will be controlled entirely by the military.

Similar restrictions have been placed on the main road from Sheung Shui Customs gate up the frontier at Shan Kam. Until yesterday it was necessary for travellers along these roads to have military passes for the use of motor vehicles. From to-day no public vehicles or pedestrians will be allowed.

Fireman's Cook Boy With Opium

Heavy Sentence Inflicted

A fireman's cookboy from the French liner President Doumer was sentenced by Mr. E. Hims-worth at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning to six months' imprisonment with a further term of six months or a fine of \$2,500, for unlawful possession of opium in Canton Road last Saturday.

Revenue Officer Aberne said the defendant, Po Wing-sing, was being assisted by another Chinese in carrying a trunk in Canton Road on Saturday when they were stopped by Indian constable No. 746. Both Chinese bolted but defendant was caught. The trunk contained 720 taels of opium valued at \$2,100.

Defendant said he had been in his present employment for two days but it was found that he had been working there for nearly two years.

"Trans-Ocean" says the German Foreign Minister will fly to Moscow accompanied by the Under Secretary for State, Dr. Gaus who is head of the legal department of the German Foreign Office, the Legation Councilor, Herr Hewel who is head of the Foreign Ministry personal staff, Dr. Schmidt, head of the Press department, of the Foreign Office, and Herr Schmidt and Herr Bruckmeyer.

Berlin Impressed
BERLIN, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—The sensational announcement of the signing of a German-Soviet non-aggression pact created a strong impression in Berlin to-day.

German radio stations interrupted their programme to make announcements on the forthcoming pact and the newspapers published the news but without comment, contenting themselves with the official announcements.

Political quarters recall the great attention with which the development of German-Soviet relations have been watched lately in Paris and London and the semi-official German news agency says there have already been reports for some time of the next step in German policy.

It is also recalled that the negotiations began between the Western Democracies and the Soviet Union three months ago were for the purpose of forming an anti-aggression bloc; the alliance was to be the corner-stone of Anglo-French policy which Herr Hitler had defined as encirclement. The Fuehrer had declared then that he would not allow any pre-war history to repeat itself and would not inactively watch attempts to build up a united front against Germany.

Official
BERLIN, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—A German news agency has officially announced that Germany and the Soviet Union have agreed to conclude a non-aggression pact.

Joint Appeal For Peace
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BRUSSELS, Aug. 21. (UP).—A special meeting of the Belgian Cabinet to-day decided to propose to the Inter-Parliamentary Union at Oslo that the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Finland should make a joint appeal to the great powers for peace.

A joint document would appeal to the great powers to do their utmost to avoid bringing suffering to their own peoples, and also to the populations of small countries not concerned in their quarrels.

King's Invitation
King Leopold has invited the foreign ministers of the Oslo States to meet in Brussels on Wednesday to discuss the European situation and presumably the draft of the joint proposal.

In addition they will discuss means of ensuring the States political independence and the pooling of their respective resources.

Denmark, Norway, Sweden and the Netherlands have promptly accepted the invitation.

It is felt here that common action such as this will have considerable weight as a war deterrent, since the withholding of supplies would be an important factor.

Netherlands Accept
BRUSSELS, Aug. 20. (Reuter).—The Netherlands Government has accepted the Belgian invitation to a conference of the "Oslo" Powers which is being held next week. The Netherlands will be represented by her foreign Minister.

It is considered certain that the conference will be devoted to problems of international politics.

The Oslo Powers include Sweden, Norway, Denmark, the Netherlands, Belgium and Finland. In 1939 they agreed not to raise duties against each other without prior consultation.

IN OUR SOLITUDE

This week's most poignant picture from the Hongkong border which shows a terror-stricken mother clutching her little boy as they squat over their meagre belongings shortly after escaping across the border into safe British territory following the Japanese frontier operations.—Yuen Chui Studio.



"Something Is Going To Happen Very Soon Indeed"

Europe's Nerves on Edge: Increasing Tension

RICE RIOTS IN SHANGHAI

SHANGHAI, Aug. 22 (Domei).—Following Friday's flare-up in the French Concession, another rice riot occurred, this time, in the International Settlement on Sunday night when about 500 hungry Chinese stormed a rice shop in the western district of the Settlement.

Some 100 sacks of rice were taken away. When the police arrived at the scene, all the rioters had fled except four stragglers, who were arrested.

Frequent rice riots in the Concession and Settlement are attributed to the excessive rise in commodity prices, due to manipulations by profiteering merchants.

Moscow Talks Resume Press Reaction To Trade Pact

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (UP).—The British and French Military Missions resumed their conferences with the Russian General Staff to-day.

Meanwhile the "Pravda," in an editorial, to-day stressed the importance of the Soviet-German Trade Pact. It said the pact may prove to be a substantial step further towards the improvement of economic and political relations between the Soviet and Germany.

Another editorial in the "Investia" said: "It can be safely stated that the agreement is the turning point in business relations between the two countries."

These utterances are significant in view of the admissions that differences have arisen during the tripartite and military talks in Moscow, although there is still optimism that the three powers will reach both a political and military accord.

Foreign Office Appointment

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—The Secretary for Foreign Affairs has appointed Sir Orme Sargent, an Assistant Under Secretary in the Foreign Office, to be a Deputy Under Secretary succeeding Sir Lancelot Oliphant.

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Tension seems still to be increasing here and the conviction is becoming widespread that something is going to happen very soon indeed.

The "National Zeitung" which is closely connected with Marshal Goering, writes in connection with the Anglo-Polish Treaty that "As in other important questions, the present week will bring a decision on this point too."

The plain hint is re-echoed in political circles where it is emphasised that the alleged Polish "atrocities" cannot be allowed to continue much longer.

Trial Mobilisation
Meanwhile reliable information suggests that Germany's trial mobilisation is progressing rapidly. Nurses are being called up, propaganda units are being organised, the petrol shortage is worsening, soldiers are being inducted, cars have been requisitioned, especially in Prussia, and long trails of lorries and tanks are on the move.

Cologne and other Rhineland towns to-night start a three nights' blackout. Official quarters in Berlin are even more than usually uncommunicative but individuals in German political circles still profess optimism though they cannot explain why.

Many say they still cannot believe that Britain will go to war on account of Danzig.

Hint To Axis Powers
LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—While to-morrow's Cabinet meeting is naturally awaited with keen interest by the British public, official circles emphasise that the attitude of the Government is unfaltering unchanged.

"Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent learns from official circles that whether or not the Axis Powers are convinced of British and French firmness of intention to lend assistance to Poland in the event of the latter being brought into conflict with Germany on account of a threat to Polish independence, is not a question which can be answered in London. But that the Axis Powers should be alive to the attitude of the Democracies goes without saying.

Since the recent declaration of the Prime Minister in the House of Commons and Lord Halifax's speech of June 20, no chance has been lost to reinforce the sentiments therein expressed during the subsequent contacts between representatives of the Government in Berlin and Rome.

It is pointed out that any efforts to misinterpret the British attitude are part of a customary technique to shake the confidence of the Democracies.

Key Statesmen Get Together In London

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—AMONG many callers at No. 10, Downing Street to-day, was Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Deputy Leader of the Opposition Party. Lord Halifax stayed to lunch with the Prime Minister. He looked rather serious on leaving No. 10 but he gave a smile to the photographers as he walked to the Foreign Office to keep an appointment with Mr. George Lonsbury, well-known journalist, peace worker and Labour politician.

Lord Chatfield called at the Foreign Office this afternoon.

LATEST

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FOREIGNERS' NARROW ESCAPE IN AIR-RAID

CHUNGKING, AUG. 21. (REUTER).—FIVE BRITONS INCLUDING THREE AUSTRALIANS AND A CANADIAN, THREE OF THEM WOMEN, AND AN AMERICAN WOMAN, HAD NARROW ESCAPES DURING A RAID OF 36 JAPANESE BOMBERS ON KAITING ON SATURDAY MORNING ACCORDING TO FOREIGN REPORTS RECEIVED HERE.

One foreign report estimates that 1,000 bombs, many of them of an incendiary type, were dropped causing numerous fires.

Most of the buildings of the city's business district were wrecked. The Canadian Church adjoining the clinic was demolished and nine students were killed when a bomb fell on a building of the Wuhan University which moved to Kaiting after the fall of Hankow.

A special plane chartered by the American Relief Committee has left Chungking for Kaiting with doctors and nurses.



'Democracies Will Win,' Says Dr. Benes Dictators Condemned

DR. EDUARD BENES, former President of Czechoslovakia, addressed the Liberal Summer School at Cambridge recently.

The meeting, held in the Arts Theatre, had been thrown open to the public.

People who could not gain admission queued up in the rain outside the building while Dr. Benes was speaking.

Dr. Benes prefaced his address by saying that there might be some disappointment that he did not speak of recent events, but, as a guest in Britain, he did not wish to discuss questions which at this moment might be thought controversial.

He went on to say that very severe criticism could, and should, be passed on the practice, procedure, means and methods of the European democracies—the great old democracies as well as the smaller newer democracies.

COURAGE TO BACK THEORIES

The lack of belief and faith in their own principles, their lack of civic courage, their unacceptance of utilitarian opportunism as to principle, their lack of real knowledge that it was necessary not merely to oppose the principles of authoritarianism, to preach democracy and to speak in highly laudatory terms about the freedom of man and nations.

"One must have also a right conception of democracy as theory and one must have the courage to put these theories into practice rightly, justly, and courageously," said Dr. Benes.

BACKGROUND OF A DICTATOR

Dictators, adventurers, occasional politicians, and many of those who considered themselves political geniuses belonged frequently to a category of people who were intuitive, imaginative, romantic, emotional, personally ambitious, and very often they finished by being brutal, cynical, and as completely amoral as animals.

Dispassionately, and "always avoiding personalities," Dr. Benes analysed the background of "a Duce and a Fuehrer."

ORIGINAL IN REVOLUTION

He said "they have a mystical conception of the people and of the nation."

"They defy the nation, they defy the State, they defy the Statute, and the nation, and a Duce or Fuehrer are the natural leaders as expressions of the nation and of the all-mighty state as opposed to parties, classes, and individuals."

"The only origin of these leaders is through revolution. As to succession in leadership they have not yet formulated their policy."

"THEY TAKE LIFE AS CONSTANT BATTLE"

Leaders in authoritarian states—because they were based on the idea that life was a battle, that the relations between nations and states were a battle, because they accepted in daily politics methods of violence

and force—such leaders must reflect such characteristics. They must be men who accepted the principle that human life was a constant battle and that the relation of men, nations, and states, was a relation of force.

They were generally people who made decisions at once without taking into consideration the advice of others and without taking into consideration the historical facts and different realities.

SYSTEM THAT IS A TRAVESTY

"As a democrat," said Dr. Benes, "I do not admit that the authoritarian system of government is justified, because it is a travesty of government and nothing else."

"Because it is a travesty it cannot endure."

"I believe also that the leaders of authoritarian Governments can never be the real leaders of a human, universal and Christian morality, of a real human education and erudition."

"The judgment of history has already condemned the dictatorial system of government, and it has also condemned their leaders."

THE NEW VICTORY OF FREEDOM

"The events of the next years in Europe, and in the world, will show to the present generation if this judgment of history was right. My scientific conviction is that this judgment was right."

"There never existed a society where the fight for freedom and the development of the free human personality ceased."

"In the darkest period of history this fight continued, continues today, and will be continued until the new victory of freedom will come again."

"LIBERTY OF MY COUNTRY"

In conclusion, Dr. Benes said: "Democracy will be victorious because it is in the line of social evolution and of the philosophy of history."

"The victory of democracy and freedom in Europe means the liberty of my country—Czechoslovakia."

Replying to questions about the propaganda of totalitarian and democratic States, Dr. Benes said: "Truth prevails; finally truth always prevails."

Why Hitler Hates Dr. Benes

Speaking after Dr. Benes, Sir Walter Layton said that there had been people mean enough to say that the Czechs should have fought.

Dr. Benes was faced with a demand from England and France that he should save the world from world war.

"I am thankful," said Sir Walter,

'Let Germany Share Our Colonies' Trade'

ADMINISTRATION of colonies under international supervision was urged by Mr. Ramsay Muir, recently, at the Liberal Summer School, at Cambridge.

He suggested that the possessors of colonies should resign their absolute sovereignty over those colonies in some international authority.

CHANGE FOR GERMANY

One condition should be an absolutely open trade access for the traders of all nations to all colonies under such administration.

"It would give Germany a very great deal more than she would get in trade if she got back her four little pre-war colonies."

RIGHTS OF NATIVES

The second condition would be that there must be full and adequate safeguards for the right of the native population, with obligation to train them gradually to take a larger and larger share in the management of their own affairs and train them for ultimate self-government.

"Next we want to make sure that the native population are safeguarded against being exploited for the purpose of power politics. We must not allow them to be used for the raising of armies for the conquest of other countries and other territories."

A FRESH START

"We have the opportunity of making a clean, fresh start of the civilised world for the treatment of the backward peoples. We have all the power in our own hands at present, and on the sincerity of our declaration would depend the effectiveness of such a scheme."

For such a system the point was that it would not be so much a question of agreement between Germany and Britain, but between the democracies.

Robbed Of £800

MRS. MARY HODKINSON, a Blackpool housewife, of Breck-road, went to the market to buy a 2d. cabbage for her Sunday dinner. It cost her £800.

An assistant at a stall picked the best cabbage he had—so large that Mrs. Hodgkinson needed both hands to hold it. She put down her bag.

A moment later she screamed and half collapsed over the stall. "My bag!" she cried.

It had vanished. Inside were two £100 notes, 23 of £10, one £5 note, and 30s of £1.

The £100 notes were the life savings of her mother, Mrs. J. Dickenson, boarding-house keeper.

"That Dr. Benes saved my country. There could be no greater contrast than Herr Hitler and Dr. Benes. Why does Herr Hitler hate Dr. Benes? Because Dr. Benes is right."

What Dr. Benes had said he had said very gently, but his words spelled the doom for the totalitarian regime.

"This man," added Sir Walter, "stood in the streets of Prague a year ago without a guard."



Dr. Eduard Benes, former President of Czechoslovakia photographed recently with his wife.

Paris-On-15s. Graduate Drinks His Winnings

OXFORD.

A YOUNG man stood in the bar of the Chequers Inn here recently and drank a pint of old and mild. He set down his glass with a deep sigh.

"Ripe," he declared; "ripe and nutty. Nothing like that across the Channel."

Mr. Leonard Cheshire, 22-year-old graduate of Merton College, Oxford, had been to Paris and back that pint.

A week before in the Chequers he said to Mr. Joseph Allen, an Oxford lorry driver, "I wish I was in Paris." In his pocket he had 15s.

"But you a pint you can't make it," said Mr. Allen.

So the wager was made and later Mr. Cheshire claimed his reward. He had travelled to Paris and back on his 15s. and what he had been able to earn.

"I thought that was the safest pint I'd ever wagered," said the loser. "I was a fool. Why didn't I go as well?"

Mr. Cheshire had one adventure. "I was stopped 15 miles outside Dieppe by a very tough customer, who wanted money," he said. "I told him I had none. He didn't believe me."

THE INVISIBLE MAN

"It was a very dark and lonely road with thick woods on both sides. 'What's that man doing beside you?' I said. The man turned his head. I hit him as hard as I could on the jaw and ran."

"The next few miles were quite the reverse of the journey. I kept turning round to see if he was following."

Baronet, 70, Weds

Seventy-year-old Sir Richard Arthur Surtess Paget, barrister, architect, and scientist, was married at Oxford recently to Miss Grace Hartley Glover. The bride is the granddaughter of one of Sir Richard's greatest friends, the late Sir William Ascroft.

She has acted as his secretary for several years.

The best man was Mr. John Paget, Sir Richard's son.

Lady Muriel Paget, Sir Richard's first wife, famous for her post-war relief work in Russia and the Balkans, died last year.

He was sent to prison for a month.

WRONG ANSWER

"What is the number of your cabin, sir?" he asked the indignant man.

"Ninety-eight," was the reply. That confirmed the steward's suspicions—there was no cabin of that number in the third class.

This story was told at Southampton Police Court recently when Edward Azevili, 30-year-old Russian, described as an engineer of Whitefield-street, London, W., was charged with endeavouring to obtain a passage in the Aquitania without the consent of the owners.

He was sent to prison for a month.

Saving Mothers In Emergency

INSTRUCTION in midwifery for ambulance drivers is being urged on Mr. Walter Elliot, Minister of Health.

The request has been put forward by the Union of County Officers, the organisation to which many of the ambulance drivers and attendants belong.

It is pointed out that the life or

death of a woman and her baby may depend, in these emergency cases, on the degree of skill which the ambulance driver or attendant may show in rendering first aid.

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Americans Safe At Kaifeng

PEIPING, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—Mr. Yaguchi, Secretary of the Japanese Embassy in Peiping who was sent specially to Kaifeng to investigate on the spot complaints of alleged anti-American demonstrations and molestation of Americans, declared on his return today that the rumours were entirely without foundation and the 30 American citizens in Kaifeng were perfectly safe and have no intention of leaving the city.

With regard to the anti-British movement, the Secretary said the Japanese Army could not guarantee the safety of Britons in face of the continuous disturbance of the political atmosphere by Britain.

Exchange At A Glance

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Csaky Gives Re-Assurance

BUDAPEST, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—In an interview here, Count Csaky, Hungarian Foreign Minister spoke of the conflicting rumours that attended his just-completed visits to Berlin and Rome and said it reflected the nervousness and lack of knowledge in certain countries in contrast to the equanimity in Germany, Italy and Hungary.

To Hungary's friends abroad he gave the reassurance that Hungary could be relied upon to defend its national honour. A strong and independent Hungary was an indispensable factor of the equilibrium of Central Europe. Neither Germany nor Italy had demanded or requested anything of the Hungarian Government.

EUROPE'S NERVES ON EDGE: INCREASING TENSION

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crises and to have an effect on neutral Powers.

Complete Calm

The position to-night remains one of increased tension internationally but of complete calm and unabated firmness in London, states "Reuters" Lobby correspondent.

There have been no indications of any exceptional developments to-day. Among the matters to be considered by the Ministers to-morrow, a suggestion that the British Government should issue a reiteration of its attitude towards any act of aggression is expected to be included.

Opinion to-day appears to be that Government's recent declaration on the subject was so clear as to require no fresh emphasis beyond what it may be assumed was given diplomatically in appropriate quarters.

There remains every desire not to exacerbate feeling by an unnecessary statement.

On the other hand, the Ministers will review the situation fully as they find it and will take such steps as seem to be required.

No Parliament Recall

Fixing the Cabinet meeting in the afternoon will give the Premier an opportunity to see some Ministers individually during the morning should the need arise.

The question of recalling Parliament was not raised by Mr. A. Greenwood, Acting Leader of the Opposition in his talk with Mr. Chamberlain to-day in view of the fact that the matter will be discussed fully by the Cabinet to-morrow in the light of the situation they will have to face.

Throughout their resistance to automatic recall as demanded by the Liberals, the Government have promised that should the situation deteriorate substantially, they would recall Parliament without delay.

It is now certain that Lord Maugham, the Lord Chancellor, now on a visit to Canada, will be the only absentee from the Cabinet meeting.

"The Star" says the following will be discussed at the meeting: A confidential report from the League of Nations Commissioner to Danzig, Dr. K. J. Burckhardt, on his discussion with Herr Hitler.

The new German-Slovakian military treaty.

The reports of Sir Neville Henderson, British Ambassador, from Berlin and Salzburg.

The consultations between the German, Italian and Hungarian Foreign Ministers.

Reports from Rome and Danzig.

The state of the Anglo-Soviet General Staff talks in Moscow.

And the endeavours of His Holiness Pope Pius XII to bring about a peaceful settlement of international conflicts.

Recruits Doubled

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—Some 600 recruits joined the Royal Air Force last week bringing the total entry since last April to 16,532 compared with 8,754 in the corresponding period last year.

New Ambassador

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—Mr. Ronald Ian Campbell, British Minister to Paris, has been appointed British Ambassador to Belgrade.

PRINCESS MARGARET ROSE

London, Aug. 21. Princess Margaret Rose celebrated her ninth birthday to-day at Balmoral Castle, where the Royal Family are on holiday.—Reuters Bulletin.

REICH-SOVIET TO SIGN NON-AGGRESSION PACT

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tion, an arrangement that was continued up to May last year.

Meeting On Wednesday

"Trans-Ocean" adds: The Dutch Foreign Minister, M. van Kleffens, the Norwegian Foreign Minister, M. Koht, and the Foreign Ministers of Luxembourg, Denmark, Sweden, Finland and Belgium, under the Chairmanship of the last-named, are expected to meet at Brussels on Wednesday to discuss the policy of neutrality and independence to be pursued by the parties to the Oslo Convention.

Questions of League of Nations sections, guarantees to neutral States, flying over neutral territories by belligerent Powers and economic matters are expected to be on the agenda.

London Nervous

LONDON, Aug. 21 (UP).—The announcement of the Russo-German trade pact this morning was believed to have been one of the factors causing the most severe Stock Exchange slump for months.

The Exchange closed nervous with War Loans down 1 1/2 at 80 1/2, representing a loss of £28,070,000 to the market.

War Loans now yield nearly 4 per cent, which, unless corrected, means that Government defence financing is now most costly.

Similarly old Consols are at present lower than they were in 1915 after seven months of the Great War when they stood at 65 1/2.

Some rails were very depressed of a strike. Oils and minis were depressed and trans-Atlantic issues were weak with U.S. Steel down 2 1/2 to 47 1/2.

Hongkong Reaction

Stock exchange inquiries this morning revealed that shares in the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation in Hongkong had dropped £4, this being a natural reaction to the fall in London. There was, however, no sign of anxiety, and the downward tendency did not extend to other important issues.

Anglo-Franco-Soviet Talks Doomed

PARIS, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—News agencies were reluctant to publish the news of the German-Soviet non-aggression pact until after midnight as they were waiting for confirmation. It is assumed that the Anglo-French-Soviet negotiations are now doomed to failure.

Poland Concerned

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". WARSAW, Aug. 21 (UP).—The conclusion of the German-Soviet Trade Pact has caused an unpleasant impression in Warsaw where political quarters have openly expressed their anxiety that Soviet Russia may "be playing a double game."

The Polish press to-day only published a brief official communiqué without any political comment.

Despite the British and French negotiations with the Soviet Poland has never felt sure of the Soviet standpoint and has, therefore, taken care to refrain from participating in even political or military talks with Moscow.

Text Of Peace Pact Communique

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". BERLIN, Aug. 21 (UP).—The text of an official communiqué issued to-day was as follows:

"The Reich and Russia have agreed to conclude a non-aggression pact with each other. A report has been received by the Foreign Office saying that the negotiations in Moscow have been concluded."

A German Foreign Office spokesman said Herr Ribbentrop is flying to Moscow on Wednesday.

The announcement dumbfounded diplomatic circles here because the negotiations were kept absolutely secret.

Shares Fall On Peace Pact News

Before the newspapers were on the street this morning, financial circles had gathered the news that Herr von Ribbentrop was going to Moscow. Result in London: War Loans made an unprecedented drop of £1. Hongkong Bank shares were quoted at £4 less in London, a drop of \$64 in local currency.



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Japan	Scharnhorst	August 23
Shanghai and Swatow	Shirala	August 23
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Japan	Nagpure	August 24
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 16th August	Pan American Airways Plane	August 24
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Japan	Kamo Maru	August 25
Manila	Pres. Cleveland	August 25
Straits and Europe via Negapatam (Papers etc.)—London date, 27th July	Terukuni Maru	August 25
Calcutta and Straits	Kunsang	August 25
Manila	Murchon Merser	August 25
Rabaul and Manila	Neptuna	August 25
Manila	Pleasantville	August 25
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 27th July)	Tatuta Maru	August 25

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
Tuesday		
Fort Bayard and Bangkok	Mul Hock	Tues., Aug. 22, 4.30 p.m.
Parcels only for Straits, Penang, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Marseilles	Antenor	Tues., Aug. 22, 5 p.m.
and London—due London, 27th September	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Aug. 22, 5 p.m.
Wednesday		
Manila	Glauco	Wed., Aug. 23, 9.30 a.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China only—due Air France Plane	Wed., Aug. 23	
Hanoi, 23rd August	G. P. O. and K. P. O.	
	Reg.	Aug. 23, 11.30 a.m.
	Ord.	Aug. 23, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy	Klamau	Wed., Aug. 23, 3.30 p.m.
Manila and parcels only for Germany via Hamburg	Scharnhorst	Wed., Aug. 23, 7 p.m.
Thursday		
Fort Bayard	Chungking Thurs.	Aug. 24, 6.30 a.m.
Formosa	Canton Maru	Thurs., Aug. 24, 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Wosang	Thurs., Aug. 24, 3 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 31st August	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Aug. 24
	K.P.O.	Aug. 24, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Aug. 24, 5.30 p.m.
	Ord.	Aug. 24, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Aug. 24	
Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 1st September	K.P.O.	Aug. 24, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Aug. 24, 5.30 p.m.
	Ord.	Aug. 24, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Hono- Pan American Airways	Thurs., Aug. 24	
lulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan- American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 31st August	Plane	
	Reg.	Aug. 24, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Aug. 24, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Aug. 24, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Aug. 24, 5.30 p.m.
	Ord.	Aug. 24, 5 p.m.
Friday		
Shanghai	Giulio Cesare Fri.	Aug. 25, 8.30 a.m.
Tourane	Szechuen Fri.	Aug. 25, 1.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Tsinan	Fri., Aug. 25, 2 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Japan Fri.	Aug. 25, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia	Terukuni Maru Fri.	Aug. 25, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America via San Francisco and (Papers only for Canada)—due San Francisco, 15th September	Pres. Cleveland	Fri., Aug. 25
	K.P.O.	Aug. 25, 4 p.m.
	Reg.	Aug. 25, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Aug. 25, 5.30 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand Kamo Maru	Kowloon P. O.	Aug. 25, 5 p.m.
via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 7th September	Reg.	Aug. 25, 5.30 p.m.
	Ord.	Aug. 25, 5 p.m.
Parcels and Papers only for Calcutta Sushant	Fri., Aug. 25	
	Parcels	Aug. 25, 5 p.m.
	Papers	Aug. 25, 7 p.m.
Papers only for Straits and (Parcels Shirala and Papers) for Calcutta	Fri., Aug. 25	
	Parcels	Aug. 25, 5 p.m.
	Papers	Aug. 25, 9 a.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 7th Sept.	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Fri., Aug. 25
	Reg.	Aug. 25, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Aug. 25, 5.30 p.m.
Saturday		
Parcels only for Straits	Mulnam	Sat., Aug. 26, 1 p.m.
Amoy	Von Heutz	Sat., Aug. 26, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 18th September	Tatuta Maru	Sat., Aug. 26
	Reg.	Aug. 26, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Aug. 26, 5.30 p.m.
Sunday		
Shanghai	Anhui	Sun., Aug. 27, 9 a.m.
Japan	Kunsang	Sun., Aug. 27, 9 a.m.
Monday		
Haiphong	Huph	Mon., Aug. 28, 1 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 4th September	Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Aug. 28
	K.P.O.	Aug. 28, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Aug. 28, 5.30 p.m.
	Ord.	Aug. 28, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Imperial Airways Plane	Mon., Aug. 28	
Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 4th September	K.P.O.	Aug. 28, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Aug. 28, 5.30 p.m.
	Ord.	Aug. 28, 5 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Aug. 28, 7 p.m.

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- 1.—The Competition is confined exclusively to amateur photographers.
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- 6.—No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of loss of, or damage to entries.
- 7.—All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must

- 8.—be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.
- 9.—Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.
- 10.—No picture to be entered in more than one Section.
- 11.—Mounts to be only white or cream, and, except in the Children's Section, must be of one of the following sizes:—10x12, 10x20.
- 12.—No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
- 13.—Entries in the Children's Section must bear the entrant's name, age and address on the entry form, counter-signed by a parent.
- 14.—Members of the Staff of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.
- 15.—The decisions of the Judges shall be final.
- 16.—At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to competitors on application at the Telegraph offices within seven days.

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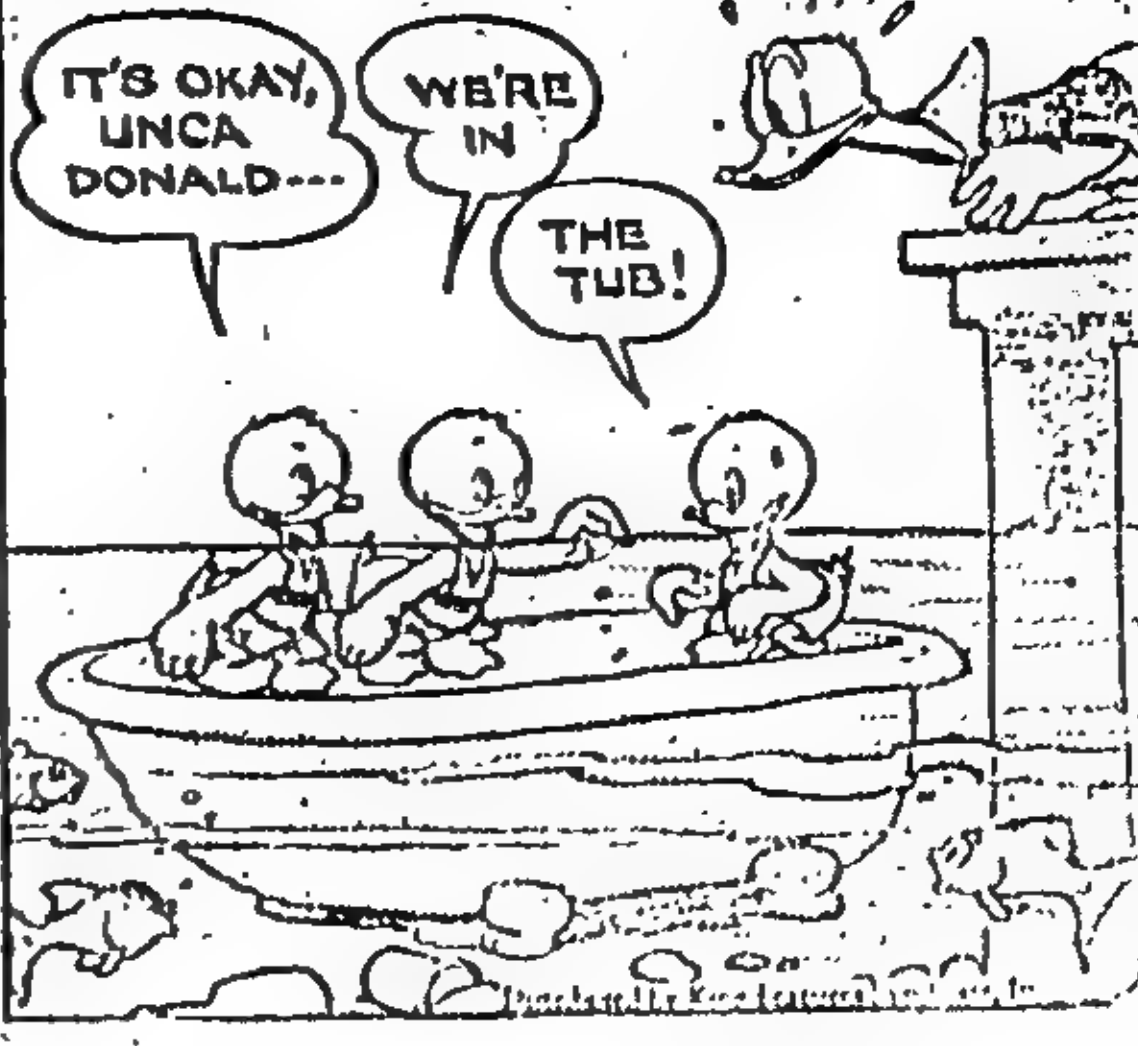
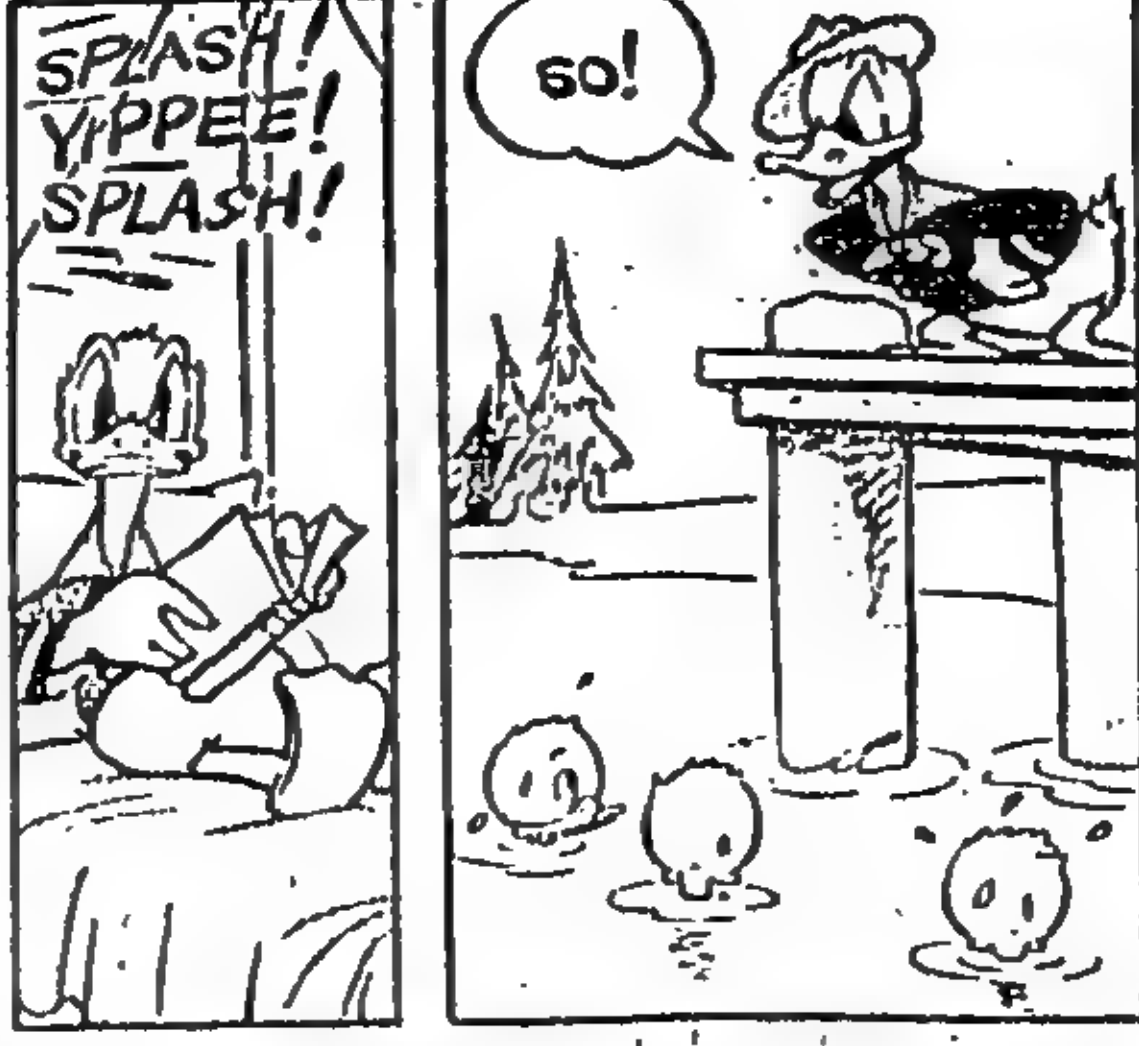
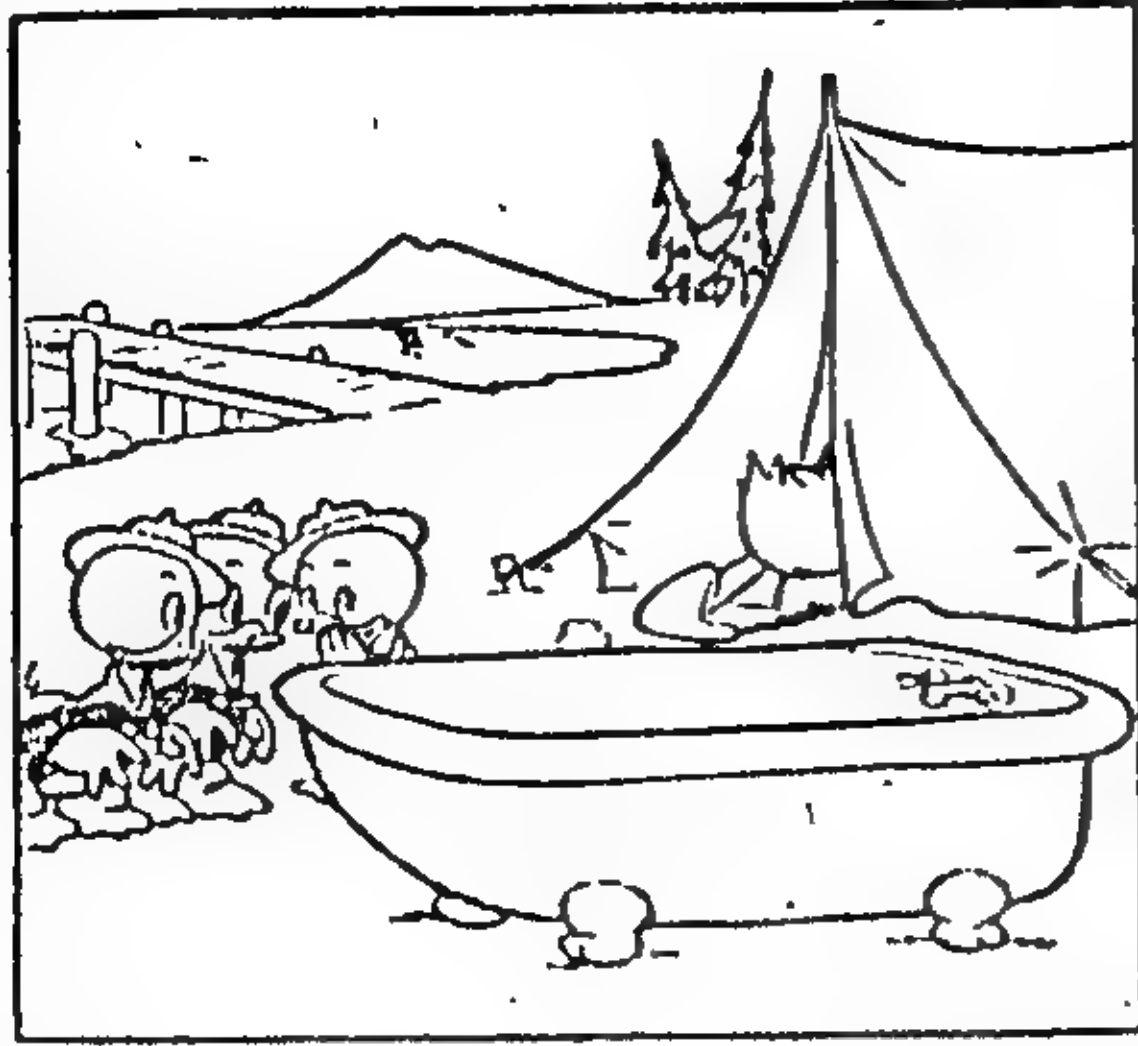
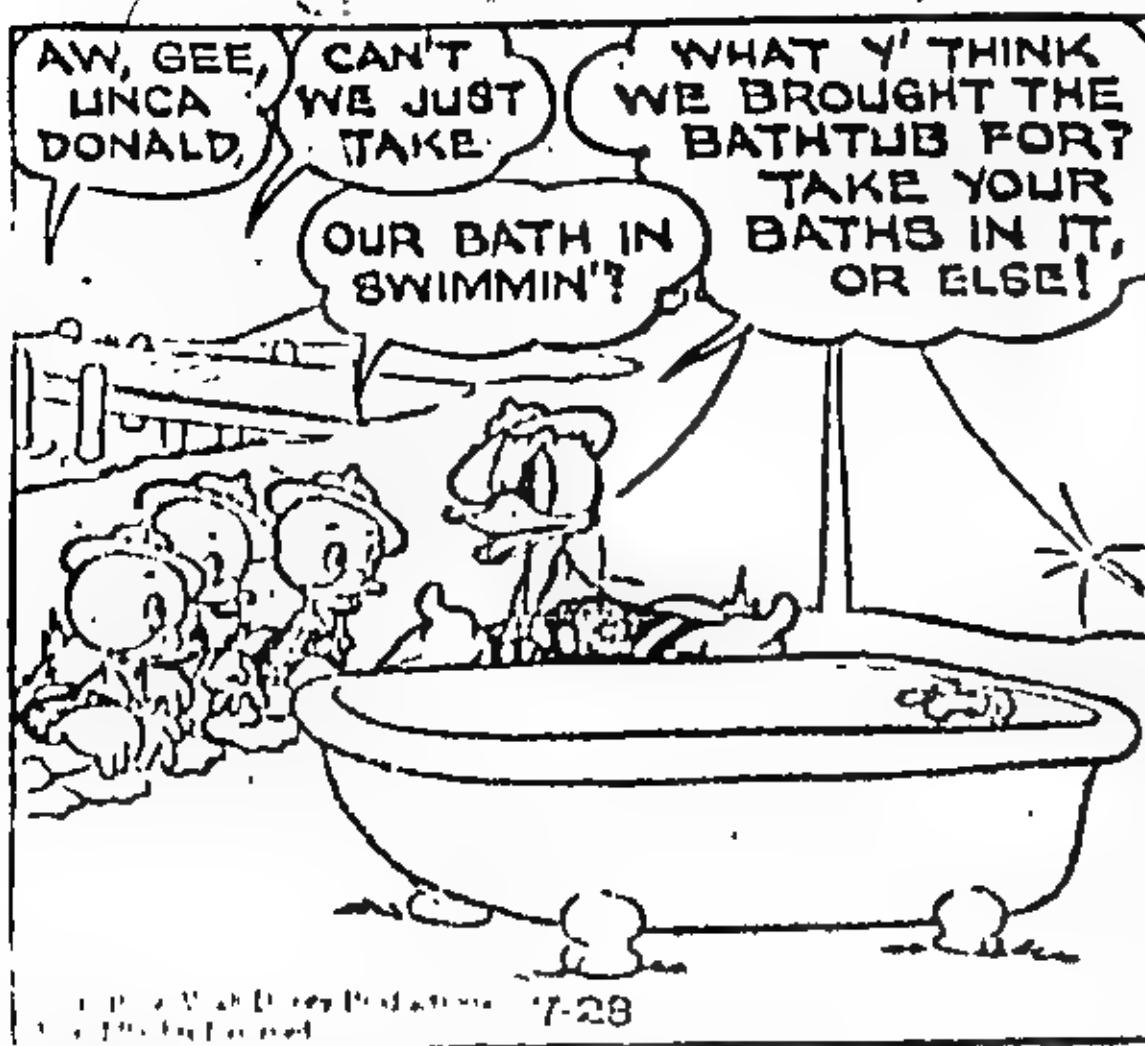
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Britain Calling Up Big Reserves In September

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, August 21 (UP).—Members of the British Cabinet to-day began preparations for to-morrow's special meeting amidst extraordinary defence preparations.

The Admiralty is expected to call up more Naval Reserves while the entire Territorial Army totalling more than 400,000 may be mobilised early in September.

This would mean that Britain's anti-aircraft defences would be fully manned and a complete expeditionary force of 32 divisions would be ready to embark for foreign service.

It is reported here that the Fifth of North has been trained while defence booms are visible to tourists arriving at Southampton and other ports.

Premier Without Umbrella
Meanwhile the British press is urging Britain to fulfil her treaty obligations in the event of German aggression.

Even the conservative "Times" says: "This country has given a specific pledge from which it will not and cannot recede."

Friends of Mr. Chamberlain believe that the Premier is still convinced of the fundamental soundness of appeasement.

Nevertheless he has openly expressed his disappointment in Hitler since the Munich Agreement.

It was noted that he did not carry his umbrella when he arrived in London to-day 24 hours ahead of his scheduled time.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	1,255 n.
H.K. Banks (old)	68 1/2 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.)	71 n.
Chartered	6 1/2 n.
Mercantile & B.	24 n.
Mercantile, C.	12 n.
East Asia	72 n.
INSURANCES	
Cantons	200 n.
Union	380 n.
China Underwriters	14 n.
H.K. Fire	180 n.
SHIPPING	
Douglases	107 n.
Steamships	12 n.
Indo-China, P.	60 n.
Indo-China, D.	30 n.
Shell Bunkers	80 1/2 n.
Waterboats	8 1/2 n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	103 1/2 n.
Docks	104 n.
Providents	4 1/2 n.
New Eng. Sh.	110 n.
Sh. Docks, Sh.	110 n.
MINING	
Kailan	12 1/2 n.
Rauis	8 1/2 n.
Venz. Gold	4 n.
Hongkong Mines	4 n.
LANDS	
Hotels	4 1/2 n.
Lands (old)	32 1/2 n.
Land 4 1/2 de. s.	par b.
Shal Lands Sh.	7 1/2 n.
Humphreys	8 n.
H.K. Realities	4 n.
Chinese Estates	10 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams (x.d.)	10 n.
Peak Trams (old)	7 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (new)	3 1/2 n.
Star Ferries	6 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries	22 n.
China Lights (old)	7 1/2 n.
China Lights (new)	4 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric	54 1/2 n.
Macao Electric	18 n.
Sundank Lights	12 n.
Telephone (old)	7 1/2 n.
Telephone (new)	19 1/2 n.
Traction	22 1/2 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cald. Macg. (old)	14 n.
Cald. Macg. (new)	13 n.
Canton Ice	12 1/2 n.
Cement	3 1/2 n.
H.K. Lops	21 n.
Dairy Farms (old)	18 1/2 n.
Dairy Farms (new)	18 1/2 n.
Watsons	18 1/2 n.

VATICAN DIPLOMAT ACTIVE

Conferences With Il Duce And Ciano

ROME, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—While there is a lull in diplomatic calls at Rome to-day, great activity continues at the Foreign Office.

There is no indication of what is afoot but it is believed that Signor B. Attolico, Ambassador to Germany, saw the Duce and Count Ciano, Foreign Minister, last night.

It is understood that Signor Attolico while at Munich, saw Herr von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister but did not see Herr Hitler.

The Vatican has denied rumours that a special Papal envoy has been sent to Warsaw and has stated that the Papal Nuncio in Warsaw is taking the usual Vatican diplomatic activity there.

Pope's Intentions

In Vatican circles it is stated that the Pope does not wish to suggest any concrete solution of the crisis but intends to remain aside from arguments which do not enter into the competence of his mission, but the Pope firmly desires to recall all men to their duty in saving humanity from the incalculable disaster of war. He appeals to the sense of responsibility of all who can influence the course of events.

All the sympathy and good wishes of the Vatican, it is stated, lie with a solution obtained at one or more peaceful meetings in the Army, Navy and Air Force there was much to impress and to give reason for solemn thought before the enemy should lightly allow conflict to break out.

Dr. Burgin was addressing the Canadian mission of industrialists which had been holding consultations for the past three weeks with Ministers and industrialists in connection with the production of munitions in Canada in the event of an emergency.

Mr. Vincent Massey, the Canadian High Commissioner, declared that no visitor to England could fail to be impressed by the spirit of quiet determination prevailing throughout the country.

Mr. Holt Gurney, leader of the Canadian delegation, said the visitors had been profoundly impressed by what they had seen of Britain's efforts. It is a great crisis, he said, but the production of Canada would be useful to the Empire as a whole in scope and volume and, most important of all, in time.

Carmona Returns To Portugal

CAPE TOWN, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—President Carmona of Portugal left for the Presidential liner at the conclusion of his State visit to South Africa.

Large crowds gave him an enthusiastic send-off and salutes of 21 guns were fired from a British warship and from shore batteries.

French Cabinet Meeting

PARIS, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—A Ministerial Council presided over by President Lebrun and attended by the Premier, M. Daladier, and the Foreign Minister, M. C. Bonnet, will follow the meeting of the French Cabinet council to be held on Tuesday.

French Ministers will be informed of the latest developments in Europe and they are expected to pass a number of decrees which will be made valid if the position becomes worse.

Lane, Crawford's \$7.50 n.
Sinceres \$1.80 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$41 n.
Powell, Ltd. \$1 n.

Ewo Sh. \$10.70 n.
Shal Cotton Sh. \$120 n.
Zong Sing Sh. \$42 n.
Wing On Textiles Sh. \$48 1/2 n.

H.K. Entertainments \$0.90 n.
Constructions (old) \$1.55 n.
Constructions (new) \$1 n.
Vibro Piling \$8 1/2 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 \$3 1/2 n.
G. Bonds \$102 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 4 1/2 Loan \$102 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2 Loan \$99 1/2 n.
Marsmans (Lon.) s/- (x.d.) 13 1/2 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) s/- 4 1/2 n.

Sequel To Attack On Woman
A sequel to the alleged attack on Mrs. Emily Wood of 4, Embankment Road in which she was robbed yesterday of money and valuables occurred in the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when Chan Ho, 28, year-old unemployed was charged with highway robbery with violence.

It was alleged that Chan, attacked Mrs. Wood and stole from her a gold wristlet watch, a fountain pen and \$73.68 in money.

Inspector H. E. Rogers asked for a remand in custody of 72 hours, which was granted.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

August 21, 1889.
Late advices from Seoul, where a numerous faction among the natives have long been in rebellion against the Spaniards, bear a peaceful aspect. The heir to the throne and his mother, who had initially stood at the head of the disaffected, are reported to have unconditionally submitted to the Spanish Government.

The P. & O. Co's steamer Pekin ran ashore off the Garden "spit" in going up the Shanghai river on the 13th inst., but got off without sustaining any damage.

An American inventor has just patented an artificial lung, capable of restoring life in persons apparently drowned. As yet no experiments have been made upon human subjects, but the professor has drowned a favourite pet rabbit 11 times, and suffocated it with the fumes of burning charcoal, yet the animal is well and happy.

25 YEARS AGO

August 21, 1914.
Brussels despatches confirm the news of the Belgian and French forces all along the line. Two Divisions of French cavalry have been covering a hundred kilometres daily.

It is officially stated that the Austrian Cavalry Divisions approached the Gorodok-Kuzmina line, and a cavalry engagement ensued, lasting for five hours.

The Russians inflicted heavy losses on the enemy, who retired, being pursued by the Russian cavalry numbered 80,000.

It is officially announced that all the large forts are intact and are being shelled by the French, 201 perished and 101 were saved.

A message from Brussels states that a fierce battle is proceeding between the Belgians and Germans along an extended front.

The Telegrams from Rome say that the "united" in Bosnia and Herzegovina is assuming the character of a formidable rising.

Greek and Turkish statements are proceeding to Bukharest for a general discussion on the situation.

The Germans, when making attempt to occupy the Polish territory, were repulsed by French artillery with considerable loss.

H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught, in the speech from the Throne, emphasised the splendid response to the call to duty from every province.

The arrival of the Czar at Moscow was heralded by the ringing of bells. The Imperial carriage passed slowly through the thronged streets, and the clergy of every church came out carrying ikons and banners. The public enthusiasm was immense in Belgium. It is reported that every rail on Brussels has been frustrated.

The German movement north Belgium was apparently a feint.

10 YEARS AGO

August 21, 1929.
Intensive fighting on a much graver scale has been taking place between rival Sino-Soviet forces in Manchuria, according to official despatches from Mukden and Harbin. The fighting grows daily in intensity and it is becoming a moot point whether Russia is not waging war without a formal declaration.

Over a thousand Russian troops attacked the city of Chailan, engaging the Chinese troops for six hours at a stretch. They finally beaten off, losing a hundred killed and wounded, and about fifty who were taken prisoner. The Chinese casualty list is not complete, but it is stated that at least one hundred were killed. Villages have been burned and burned in Soviet raids across the Amur River, while another serious conflict is reported from Tungninghuan where fierce fighting took place, the city, which was looted by the Russians, is now taken and retaken several times before the Soviet invaders were forced to retire with heavy losses.

Nanking is preparing to add considerably to the number of troops engaged in the defence of Manchuria.

5 YEARS AGO

August 21, 1934.
Double as many people dared to say "No" in the Hitler plebiscite yesterday as voted against the Nazis in the Reichstag election last November.

Hitler, however, secured an overwhelming victory with nearly ninety per cent of valid votes cast, giving an affirmative of Hitler's policy.

The Nazis, however, viewed as the first step, which 6,000,000 dared to power, although it would be erroneous to deduce that an organised opposition has arisen. The large number of valid votes are regarded as only going to prove a certain disgruntlement with Hitler's policy, which 6,000,000 dared to express by saying "No" or apolling their papers, despite a threat that a negative vote would "place them outside the nation."

The English Channel has been conquered twice on the same day, by the English swimmer E. H. Tamm and by Uesman Yaber, an Austrian.

Tamm landed at Cap Gris Nez to-night, after swimming the Channel in 16 hours and 54 minutes. This is a record for a swim starting from the

Tientsin Floods

Trade Is Brought To Standstill

Refugees Pack All Peiping Trains

PEIPING, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The trade of North China has been brought virtually to a standstill as a result of the disastrous Tientsin floods which have caused a drop in the local exchange value of the Chinese National dollar from 4d to below 3d.

The railway service has been up-sets; trains arriving were crowded with Chinese refugees fleeing from the floods. Many slept last night on the platform of the Tientsin railway station.

Railway Threatened
Travellers report much flood water either side of the Peiping-Tientsin section of the railway. If the rains continue, the disruption of the Peiping-Tientsin railway traffic is probable.

The Peiping area is still free from floods and the harvest is being gathered normally, but flooded conditions are reported from many other parts of Hopei Province.

Tientsin's Plight

TIENTSIN, Aug. 22 (Domel).—With the entire city of Tientsin including the Chinese quarter, the British, French, Italian and Japanese Concessions under water from four to 10 feet deep, the flood disaster threatens to assume ominous proportions, as it is reported that the waters will not recede for three months.

The Japanese Concession has been inundated, except for the Yamaguchi Street on right bank of the Peiho River. All Japanese residents have taken refuge in the First and Second elementary schools.

Weird scenes were presented last night as huge fires started at four places in the Chinese quarters of the Japanese and French Concessions. Flames reflecting the swirling waters shot up into the night sky. The fires raged until this morning.

The flood waters rushed the city so suddenly that motor-cars and other vehicles are abandoned and left submerged in the streets.

Japanese troops are still carrying on their tasks of searching and examining, while they are also engaged in controlling of water traffic and relief work.

Although it is predicted that the flood waters will not subside for three months, Japanese and Chinese authorities expect to drain off the water within six weeks.

Situation Improves
TIENTSIN, Aug. 22 (Reuter).—The flood situation has improved slightly.

After rising six and a half feet last night, the waters receded this morning to between two and three feet in the Concessions but communications and trade remain at a standstill.

Daladier To See British Manoeuvres

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—It is learned that M. Daladier, the French Premier, has accepted the invitation of Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, British Minister for War, to attend the peak period of the British Army manoeuvres from September 17 to September 21.

Japanese Arrested In Los Angeles

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The United States Treasury have announced the arrest of two Japanese residents of Los Angeles for the attempted export of pistols and ammunition to the Japanese naval attache in Shanghai in violation of the Neutrality Law, requiring exporters to obtain a licence before sending munitions out of the country.

English side of the Channel, and the fourth time that the Channel has been swum in this direction.

Edward Tamm is the first man to have swum the Channel both ways, as he swam from Cap Gris Nez to England in 1927, in 14 hours and 59 minutes. The intrepid swimmer entered the water at 6.11 a.m. and landed near Calais at 10.08 p.m.

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Radio Programme Broadcast by Z. B. W. on a frequency of 845 k.c.; and on Short Wave from 1-2.15 p.m. and 8-11 p.m. on 9.52 m.c.s. per second.

11. K. T.
12.00-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 Mozart—Concerto in D Major, K. 537 ("Coronation").
Wanda Landowska played by (Pianoforte) and a Chamber Orchestra conducted by Walter Goehr.
1.00 Time and the Weather.
1.03 Reginald Dixon at the Organ.
Dixon Hits No. 2—Medley; Dixon Hits No. 16—Medley.
1.15 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather, and Announcements.
1.30 Dance Music.
Jump! Here—Fox-Trot (Kline) and The Spider and the Fly—Fox-Trot (Johnson). The Mill Hither Quartet; Sweet as a Song—Fox-Trot (Gordon and Revel). The Organ, The Dance Band, and Mc.
1.40 Relay—Rotary Tiffin Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.
Speaker: Mr. C. E. Moore, B. Arch. A.R.I.B.A. Subject: Civic Design and Town Planning.
2.15 Close Down.
4.00 p.m. "La Traviata"—Act II (Verdi).
Lionello Cecil Mercedes Caprai, Ida Conli, Carlo Caleffi, B. Baccaloni, N. Villa, G. Nesi and the Full Chorus and Orchestra of La Scala, Milan.
6.57 Closing Local Stock Quotations.
7.00 A Concert by Jessica Dragonette (Soprano) and the Boston Promenade Orchestra.
Polonaise Millaire in A Major (Chopin, Orchestra by Glazunov); Waltz from "The Sleeping Beauty" (Tchaikovsky). Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Felder; So Tu M'Ami (Pergolesini). Jessica Dragonette (Soprano) with the Renaissance Quartet; Entry of the Boys—March (Halvorsen) and Jealousy—Tango (Gade). Boston Promenade Orchestra; Through the doorway of Dreams (Whiting) and Alice Blue Gown (Tiemer). Jessica Dragonette (Soprano); March of the Little Leaden Soldiers (Pierne). Boston Promenade Orchestra.

7.30 Half an Hour of Dance Music. Angels with Dirty Faces (Fisher)—Fox-Trot and Between a Kiss and a Sigh (Johnson)—Fox-Trot. Tommy Dorsey and his Orchestra; Romping (Mezzrow)—Swing Fox-Trot and Who (Kern)—Swing Fox-Trot. Frankie Newton and Orchestra; Muzikly Muzikly—Norwelly and Beer Barrel Polka (Timm). The Pheid Gular and Bass Acc); Non-Stop Flight—Fox-Trot (Shaw) and Press Chai (Chaplin)—Fox-Trot. Artie Shaw and his Orchestra; Rose of Washington Square—Fox-Trot (Haley) and And the Angels Sing—Fox-Trot (Eman). Benny Goodman and his Orchestra.

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.
8.03 List—Les Preludes—Symphonie Poem.
The London Symphony played by Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates.
8.20 London—The Third Cricket Test Match—England v. The West Indies.
A commentary during play and a summary of the morning's play by Howard Marshall from Kennington Oval, London.
8.35 Studio—A Recital by Elvie Yuen (Soprano) with the Very Revd. G. A. Rignall at the Piano.
Aprile (Tosti), Ave Maria (Tosti), and Penet (Tosti). Elvie Yuen (Soprano); Allegro Moderato (Schubert), Contone (Heller), and Capriccio (Heller). The Very Revd. Father A. Rignall (Piano); Trees (Rachman), All Souls Day (Strauss), and Invictus (Hullin). Elvie Yuen (Soprano).
9.05 Ballet Suite—"Les Faineurs" (Meyerbeer).
The Sadlers by Wells Orchestra conducted by Constant Lambert.
9.15 London—The News.
9.30 London—"Food For Thought." Short Talks on Matters of Topical Interest.
10.00 London—Sports News and Market Notes.
9.50 Leslie Hutchinson at the Piano.
Back to Those Happy Days (Nicholls); Maybe I'm Wrong Again (Bennett); Love Is Everywhere (Film); Look Up and Laugh (Davies).
10.00 London—The Third Cricket Test Match—England v. The West Indies.
A commentary during play by Howard Marshall from Kennington Oval, London.
10.15 B.B.C. Recording—"Playing The Game."
A Farical Extravaganza with a Football Field Background.
11.00 Close Down.

Interned Soldiers In Court

Nine interned Chinese soldiers appeared in the Kowloon court this morning charged with disorderly conduct by fighting in the Matsuchung internment camp on Saturday last. They all pleaded not guilty and the case will be heard later this morning. One defendant, Chang Po, appeared in the dock with his head bandaged. Police state that fighting broke out at the camp about 9 o'clock on Saturday night.

Alleged Polish Atrocities

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Almost the entire news section of German newspapers is taken up by reports of Polish atrocities against Germans in Poland and reports that the Poles are constructing defence works along various sectors of the frontier.

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Commendable Sense Of Perspective

THAT the situation on the border is disturbing nobody will deny. We ourselves, following a well-established policy of giving the public vital and important data, have published during the past week factual reports from the frontier which could not but help give serious food for thought. Happily the Hongkong public is not given to startling emotional reactions to events of this nature, and this excellent sense of perspective must be of considerable encouragement to the Colony's authorities.

Neither is there any reason to believe that the public is luring itself into any false sense of security by this display of equanimity. While it is generally recognised that the activities on the other side of the border are disconcerting, it is also believed that they hold out no immediate threat to Hongkong. It is obvious, with communication between Hongkong and the Chinese hinterland more or less completely cut off, that in certain respects the Colony must be affected. There is already being experienced a shortage of certain vegetables, though fortunately of only a very small variety, but even this position, it is felt, is not likely to remain permanent. While the Government has made no official statement on the border situation, it is felt to be quietly confident that Hongkong's position will remain virtually unaffected.

In these times of duress—the effects of which are visible the world over—speculations are rife, and rumour a lying jade which should be eschewed at all costs. Thus it is well to pronounce here and now that there is not the slightest evidence that

If there were another blockade

BY COMMANDER RUSSELL GRENFELL
(Author of authoritative books on naval strategy and warfare.)

ECONOMIC blockade is one of the most important ways in which naval power is manifested.

Not that it is confined to navies, as is sometimes stated. Quite the contrary.

An army spread out along an enemy's frontier can, and does, exercise a far more complete blockade over that frontier than is possible at sea, where it is very difficult to prevent an occasional cargo slipping through.

What makes the naval blockade so important is the large volume of international trade that is carried by ships.

The crippling effect of the British naval blockade of Germany in the last war is well-known. A progressive shortage of food gradually demoralised the German people, especially the civil population, who bore the brunt of it.

THE German war effort was also gravely hampered by the increasing scarcity of many essential commodities, such as copper, nickel, cotton, rubber; in spite of the melting down of church bells, door handles, and stair rods, the replacement of the nickel coinage by iron, and the removal of rubber from bicycle tyres, billiard tables, and even babies' bottles.

The Germans, of course, did their best to return the compliment, chiefly by means of their submarines. For a time they made things very unpleasant for us, but in the end we managed to defeat their submarine campaign, and thus ensured the maintenance of our own supplies.

We did so by a variety of measures, among which food rationing, the intensive construction of merchant ships, and offensive action against the enemy submarines by destroyers, sloops, trawlers, drifters, submarines, decoy ships, and motor-boats, with the aid of airships, aeroplanes, and even sea lions and seagulls, all played a part.

THE most important counteraction of all was the introduction of a convoy, enabling merchant shipping to be more easily protected and hostile submarines more effectively attacked. If only we had taken steps to organise a convoy system earlier in the war, we should not have suffered so close a shave.

Thus there was blockade, and successful blockade, of Germany by us; and counter-blockade, though ultimately unsuccessful, of us by Germany. How would we stand in these matters now, if war with Germany were again to come? On the offensive side, our naval control of seaborne commerce destined for Germany, remarkably effective last time, should be rendered even tighter by the great scouting facilities which modern aircraft can provide.

On the political side, however, the extensive substitution of oil for

coal as a marine fuel, will have lessened our power to exercise the bunker control which proved so valuable in 1914-18.

On balance, however, I estimate that our ability to intercept supplies for Germany will be as efficacious as before, while the experience we gained on the last occasion should enable us to apply the economic pressure much more quickly.

Whether Germany is as much subject to the effects of that pressure is another matter. The British naval blockade of the last war stamped its imprint deep on German minds; and of late years Germany's whole economy has been refashioned to reduce her dependence on over-seas supplies.

It would be idle to deny that she has been largely successful in doing so. In particular, her proportion of home-grown food is much higher than in 1914.

Yet there are certain commodities, among which are rubber, cotton, hemp, wool, and vegetable oils, for which she is largely dependent on overseas shipments, though storage has probably been arranged in these cases.

The petroleum situation is uncertain. Coal distillation and the use of producer gas have reduced Germany's overseas requirements, and access to Rumanian oilfields would reduce them still more.

IT is very doubtful, however, whether the enormous quantities of petrol and other liquid fuel she would require in war could all be obtained from European sources.

Germany has undoubtedly improved her economic strategic position, and could therefore last out longer against a hostile blockade. But, given time, it would bring her down as surely as before.

It is important to note, moreover, that Germany's partner, Italy, is extremely vulnerable to naval blockade. No less than 80 per cent. of her supplies are brought in by sea, 70 per cent. coming through either the Straits of Gibraltar or the Suez Canal. Italy could therefore be subjected immediately to very severe economic pressure, which must take effect in a comparatively short time.

Then we come to the defensive side of the case. If Germany has rendered herself less susceptible to naval blockade, does the same apply to us? So far as blockade is carried out by naval vessels, the answer is that we, too, are more immune.

THE chief menace to the late war came from the submarine. Since then, we have perfected an echo-detecting device which overcomes our chief previous difficulty in dealing with underwater vessels; namely, the lack of knowledge of their position when submerged.

We can now locate a submarine that we cannot see, and are therefore in a position to deal effectively with it. Sea-borne commerce, however, can now be attacked by

aircraft as well as ships; and our position in regard to aerial blockade is much more questionable. There is a clear possibility that the air threat against our sea communications may be very serious.

For instance, if air attack can either smash up the London Docks or bring the work there to a standstill, the effect will be the same as if an impenetrable naval blockade line were stretched across the mouth of the Thames.

Our obvious counter to this adverse contingency is to take our shipping away from the Channel and the North Sea and bring it in to the western ports at Plymouth, Falmouth, Milford, Avonmouth, Cardiff, Liverpool and the Clyde.

But even the western ports are not outside bombing range, and no one can yet tell for certain to what extent air attack could interfere with the safe arrival of our vital supplies.

THIS feeling of uncertainty, amplified as it is by the knowledge that the volume of our shipping has seriously declined since 1918, is at the root of the current demands for storage, demands which reach as high as a year's supply.

The objection to storage on any extensive scale is that it costs a much. I calculate that it would come to £24,000,000 a year to lay up a year's basic food supply. This is a lot of money, and there would be the danger of the food going bad, being eaten by rats, or otherwise contaminated.

Over and above this, it seems preferable to put any available money into more aircraft or anti-aircraft guns, with a view to ensuring that enemy aircraft do not come to bomb the ports and merchant shipping, or that they get shot down if they do. The financial equivalent to a year's storage would be about 500 first-line aircraft.

Naval history shows that, in warfare, the only sure way of defeating a blockade is to out-provision them, not to out-provision them. It will be surprising if the same principle is not found to hold good in the air.

PIED PIPER UP-TO-DATE

HE wears no yellow and red tunic and carries no magic flute, but the twinkling in his eyes would put Hamelin's piper to shame. Although the rats are indifferent to his appeal, the children and him irresistible, and the news of his arrival flashes from one to another.

Soon a little regiment is at his heels and, sure in the knowledge of his conquering power, he swaggers ahead, a limp sack slung over his shoulder and a large, well-worn suitcase in his hand. The band of admirers are eager for him to stop, but he selects his stance unhurriedly.

At last he flings the sack to the ground, opens the case and draws a trumpet from its depths. This is the moment his audience have been waiting for, and eyes and mouths widen as he raises the trumpet to his lips. Three blasts echo through the neighbourhood, and an avalanche of children pour from the houses and struggle for a foremost position.

When the excitement has reached its utmost pitch he dramatically pulls off the coverings of the suitcase and displays what to these children's eyes must be an amazing collection of wonders. There are dolls, engines, pianos, masks, umbrellas, Indian head-dresses—a chaos of reds, greens, blues, and yellows.

Then a lucky one appears. Triumphantly he hands over his offering of rag which are examined with nerve-racking deliberation. When, after an age of suspense, an engine is taken from the case, the delighted youngster is mobbed by his companions. Flashes and more rays are crammed before being accepted, and a little girl solemnly presents a beer bottle, which is critically held to the light and sniffed before being accepted and deposited among the other contributions. This time a flaxen-haired doll catches hands.

Business is over for the day. He shifts his case to a corner of the street and sits down to rest. A little girl solemnly presents a beer bottle, which is critically held to the light and sniffed before being accepted and deposited among the other contributions. This time a flaxen-haired doll catches hands.

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LESSONS OF THE 'ROYAL'

BY JOHN SUSSEX

SPEAKING of the Royal Centenary Show held in Windsor Great Park—that was a good show, that was.

Maybe it was not so good an affair as might have been—there was a good deal too much snobbery at the top end of it. Landed gentry and their womenfolk assumed agricultural roles for which many of them are not qualified. The genuine article either got pushed well into the background or was exhibited as a bit of picturesque rusticity.

Yet in spite of what there was of this, the rural wealth of Britain is still so great and so well preserved that the show itself was abundantly supplied with authentic material.

More could be made of it than was. The fact that it came as such a shock

to visitors, from overseas especially, to find such a high quality of farm livestock in the rings is proof of this. They never knew this country had so definite an agricultural background.

And this country, only the size of the State of Illinois in the U.S.A., still has it in most of the other breeds. It might be as well for all of us if agriculture was provided with a propaganda section in the offices of the British Council, the body charged with making known this country's attributes abroad.

More than 100,000 visitors to this centenary show have seen something of it for themselves. And millions more must have gathered as much from what was conveyed to them through the Press and over the radio. When this nation comes really to make up its mind that it means to make more of its farming potentialities, it will find that it has an asset which can be doubled in volume and value within a decade.

Farmers in Britain will have no need to bleat for subsidies when that fact is more positively linked up with the complementary fact of an industrial population, positively lunging for fresh foodstuffs, on their very doorsteps. Then there were the sections dealing with various aspects of past and present rural life itself. What kind of a countryside do we possess in which to nurture human social and mental satisfactions? The all-electric farmstead was presented as a dream. The farm-worker's cottage was exhibited as a model. Both are attainable, and much else that they stand for. Yet for no substantial reasons at all we still do little to make them commonplace.

There were corners that were more encouraging. When urban schools take to playing country music, weaving, iron wool and learning the names of trees and birds, there cannot be much need to worry about putting a rural bias into country-school curricula. The drift is settling in the other way. Fit the villages and country towns with civilized standards of amenities and we should soon fill up our empty spaces.

What about the young among the country people themselves? Was there anything wrong about the enthusiasm of those who took part in the cattle judging competitions? And were the dairymaids who patted the butter and made the cream cheeses in the old-time farmhouse kitchen any less comely than those of whom tradition has banished and teased?

I couldn't imagine so. When a University like Reading fills up as it does with a type drawn from both sexes as keen on the farming life as ever has been, then what is there to worry about?

If the "Royal" at Windsor had recaptured the spirit which caught up its predecessor at Ipswich a few years since, it would have been an unsurpassable "centenary." It just lacked the touch of the man straight from the plough. Titles are no substitute for type.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I'm hardly ever bothered with lost balls—I usually play somebody else's."

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

9-Power Treaty Inapplicable

Tokyo, Aug. 21. The Foreign Office has issued a statement that the Nine-Power Treaty is inapplicable to the Tientsin negotiations and Japan will not permit intervention by third Powers therein.

Baron Hiranuma has gone to Hayama in order to report to the Emperor on the situation.

The Asahi Shimbun asserts that the Japanese Government is considering the early denunciation of the Nine-Power Treaty. —United Press.

Russo-German

Trade Pact

MAY LEAD TO BETTER RELATIONS

Berlin, Aug. 20. It is stressed that the Soviet will buy mostly special German machines in connection with the Soviet industrial programme. Germany will receive raw materials, such as timber, ore, oil and perhaps cotton and fodder.

The supplementary nature of the two countries is stressed by business circles who say Germany needs Russia's raw materials and Russia will for many years require the industrial products of Germany. —Trans-Ocean.

Increasing Trade

Berlin, Aug. 21. The conclusion of the German-Soviet Trade Agreement is commented upon for the first time in Berlin in the morning papers. Not much prominence is given to the reports, and the commentaries are rather uniform.

The Völkische Beobachter writes that the agreement is in accordance with the principles of the German economic policy the aim of which is to establish co-operation in trade and industry between the Reich and all those countries where economic structure is complementary to that of the Reich and who are prepared to increase the exchange between their own products and German goods. "Trade Relations," the paper continues, between Germany and the Soviet Union has for some time shown an unfavourable tendency, which is in contrast to the far reaching possibilities of exchange offered by the trade relations between these two great economies.

The agreement concluded now aims at intensifying once more the exchange of goods between the two countries. While Germany has a ready market for a number of raw materials which the Soviet Union is able to export, Soviet Russia, for the continuation of the process of industrialization, is in need of high quality products, which the German industry had previously already supplied in large quantities to the Soviet Union and which will now again be put at her disposal. It is to be expected that the agreement now concluded will clear the way for a favourable development in trade between two countries which is in the interest of both parties. —Trans-Ocean.

Soviet Press Comment

Moscow, Aug. 21. The agreement may improve not only the economic but also political relations, writes Pravda in commenting on the German-Soviet trade agreement.

The Izvestia says it can safely be stated that the new agreement marks a turning point in the business relations of the two countries. It adds that the Soviet Union's purchases from Germany comprise chiefly machine tools and other equipment. —Reuter.

HONGKONG TRADE FOR MONTH OF JULY

The Imports and Exports Department (Statistical Branch) reports that the combined values of imports and exports of merchandise (excluding treasure) as declared during the month of July, 1939, totalled \$96.3 millions (\$5.9 millions) as compared with \$84.5 millions (\$5.2 millions) in July, 1938.

In terms of local currency the total visible trade of the Colony (excluding treasure) increased by 14.0% in July, 1939 as compared with July, 1938; and by 13.5% in terms of sterling.

Imports of merchandise in July, 1939, totalled \$50.6 millions (\$3.1 millions) as compared with \$47.8 millions (\$3.0 millions) in July, 1938, and exports \$45.7 millions (\$2.8 millions) as compared with \$36.7 millions (\$2.3 millions).

Imports of merchandise in July, 1939, increased by 5.9% in terms of local currency, and by 3.3% in terms of sterling. Exports of merchandise in July, 1939, increased by 24.5% in terms of local currency, and by 21.7% in terms of sterling.

During the first seven months of 1939 imports of merchandise totalled \$351.6 millions (\$21.6 millions) as compared with \$339.0 millions (\$24.1 millions) in the corresponding period of 1938; and exports \$315.7 millions (\$19.4 millions) as compared with \$306.6 millions (\$18.9 millions). Imports of merchandise decreased by 9.8% in terms of local currency and by 10.4% in terms of sterling; exports increased by 3.0% in terms of local currency, and by 2.6% in terms of sterling.

VIOLATION OF AGREEMENT IS ALLEGED

Shanghai, Aug. 21.

At a Press conference this evening a Japanese Embassy spokesman described the incident as an obvious violation of the Craigie-Arita agreement. He said that should there be any intensification of the anti-British movement in consequence of this unfortunate incident, the responsibility would rest with the British.

The spokesman emphasized that the incident had caused grave concern to the Japanese authorities, and was not likely to be lightly overlooked by the Japanese, who felt very strongly about it. —Reuter.

Nanking To "Investigate"

Nanking, Aug. 21. Following an emergency conference, the Foreign Ministry of the Reformed Government to-day sent Mr. Wang Tsan-chu, chief of the political affairs department, to Shanghai to enquire into the Jessfield incident in which two Chinese Municipal policemen were killed and nine others wounded.

It is understood that opinion is rapidly gaining strength in Government and other circles to demand the recovery of the foreign settlements or to blockade them.

Mr. Chou Ta-ching, secretary-general to the Ta Min Hui (Great People's Society), only political organisation affiliated with the Reformed Government, to-day published a declaration that in order to prevent a recurrence of similar incidents, the foreign settlements, should be recovered immediately.

It urges all citizens to support the Government in launching a vigorous drive to recover the foreign settlements. —Domel.

Six Puppet Demands

Shanghai, Aug. 21. The Chinese Special Municipal Government has decided to lodge a formal protest with the Shanghai Municipal Council regarding the Jessfield Road incident.

It is understood that the Municipal Government is making six demands to the Municipal Council, including: Punishment of those responsible for the incident;

Communication to the Chinese Government of the disciplinary measures taken against the offenders;

Indemnification of the families of the two policemen killed;

Indemnification of the families of those wounded;

Offering of an official apology by the Municipal Council authorities;

Transfer of the policing and administrative powers for the extra Settlement area to the Chinese Municipal Government designed to prevent recurrence of similar incidents in the future. —Domel.

Protest Not Received?

Shanghai, Aug. 21. Mayor Fu Siao-en yesterday telephoned Mr. Franklin, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, which does not recognise Fu's Government, to say he is sending a written protest regarding the Jessfield Road incident, and also assuring Mr. Franklin it is untrue that the Tientsin Government men fired first. The Council had not received any written protest up to noon to-day.

The Tientsin Shimpoo to-day stated that Mr. Fu called personally on Mr. Franklin, but the latter never received such a call, nor has he had any official intercourse with Mr. Fu since he became Mayor of the Shanghai Special Municipality, although Mr. Franklin and Mr. Fu have been acquaintances for 18 years and meet occasionally at receptions and cocktail parties to which both are invited.

The various protests Mr. Fu has sent to the Municipal Council in writing have not been answered.

It is understood that one of the questions delaying the Shanghai Municipal Council protest is the question of to whom it should be addressed, since, in view of past experience, it is considered unlikely that the Japanese will afford satisfaction but merely refer the Council to Mr. Fu's Government. —United Press.

Tension On Perimeter

Shanghai, Aug. 21. For the first time in months heavily armed Japanese sentries started touring their side of the area, facing the British western district. They also trebled the sentries at the perimeter.

Meanwhile the British have mounted Lewis guns on trucks and have been carrying out patrols since yesterday. —United Press.

Refugees Return

To Canton

Population Rises By 100,000

Canton, Aug. 21. In the past month or so, the population of Canton has increased by about 100,000, making a total of approximately 700,000 people, according to a fairly reliable estimate.

The increase is principally due to the fall in the value of the National dollar, forcing refugees in Hongkong and Macao to return to their homes here.

For instance, the last trip made by the Fatshan and Shing Cheong from Hongkong and Macao respectively, brought in a total of about 2,500 persons, while on their respective return voyages, it is stated, not more than 1,000 persons were made.

While the continued influx gives the city a somewhat more normal appearance, it is doubted if such increases are welcomed by the local authorities.

It is learned that the majority of the present population are not independent economically. Thus, it is felt that sooner or later, a serious problem will crop up as how to feed those without means of subsistence.

As it is, even rice has to be imported, to a certain extent, from Formosa; supplies from the surrounding districts not being sufficient for the requirements of the populace.

Even at present, a large number of people have no means of earning a living, and free rice has to be provided by the Japanese authorities, or sold to them more shops now opened, but it is doubtful if much trade is done, and the sound of "mah jong" cards can be heard from many shops during all hours of the day.

According to figures supplied by the Japanese Consulate-General, there are at present about 6,800 Japanese nationals residing in the city, and the surrounding districts of Fatshan and Whampoa, with only 74 living on Shamonea.

Land Registration

Land and property, owned by Chinese not registered with the Peace Preservation Committee by August 31, will be confiscated and disposed of, states a proclamation issued by the local Chinese Administration.

Questioned as to whether the measure was not unnecessarily severe at such a short notice, a spokesman of the Peace Preservation Committee said that notice to the effect that all property must be registered was first circulated about three months ago, and therefore all owners who were absent from the city have had ample time to return and have their property registered.

The spokesman added that once property has been confiscated, it will not be returned to the rightful owners.

It is believed that for one reason or other, many property owners have not returned to the city, leaving servants in charge in many instances. When it was pointed out that many owners may not have seen such notices, or that the servants left in charge were not intelligent enough to comply with the request, the spokesman replied that ignorance was no excuse as far as legal proclamations were concerned.

Radio Restriction

With conditions returning gradually to normalcy, all owners of radio sets are required by the local police authorities to register them at the nearest station, and obtain a licence.

It is officially learned that only 4-valve sets would be permitted in the future.

This ruling, it is believed, is to prevent listeners turning in the Chungking and foreign stations. —Reuter.

PRESSMAN HELD

Tokyo, Aug. 21. A spokesman of the Foreign Office revealed that Mr. Kimpel Shiba, correspondent in Tokyo of the Chicago Tribune, one of America's leading dailies, is in trouble with the Japanese authorities.

Reuter learns that Shiba was arrested a fortnight ago. The charges against him have not yet been disclosed. —Reuter.

BRITISH RECRUITING VERY DISAPPOINTING

London, Aug. 21.

Anxiety at the decreasing number of applications received for the various auxiliary service organisations is expressed in the Press.

The Daily Telegraph reports that in all there was shortage of 350,000 men. It had become evident that the first batches of volunteers had included many who were unfit for service. In the last week applications had greatly diminished. As against an average of 100,000 per week in April and 50,000 per week until recently applications last week had amounted to about 24,000 only.

The position is particularly unsatisfactory in Glasgow where only 17,000 had applied while 35,000 were wanted. In London alone 20,000 A.R.P. wardens are still needed, 11,000 volunteers for the ambulance service, 15,000 assistant A.R.P. wardens and 2,000 men for the auxiliary fire brigade. —Trans-Ocean.

Germany Preparing for Invasion of Silesia

Paris, Aug. 20.

After spending two months in Slovakia the Excelsior's correspondent, M. Andre Sorel, has reported from Budapest that the Germans are preparing to invade Upper Silesia through the Glatz and Rutenburg on one side and through Moravia and Ostarava from another in order to enclose the rich Silesian mines.

Upper Silesia contains the great Kattowitz industrial and mining region which the German Press began to claim last week.

M. Sorel reported that the Poles are perfectly aware of the German plans.

The Poles, he says, intend to occupy the Upper Tatras Mountain Chain should the Germans strike. The Germans have so far made no move to occupy Upper Tatras because of the hostile peasantry which once rallied in a stand against the Nazi wing of the Hlinka Guards.

M. Sorel said the peasants there would welcome the Poles who would be able to attack the Germans in the rear from Tatra which would give them access to the Vah Valley.

Anticipating this Polish counter offensive, the Germans have been fortifying the Vah Valley and constructing reinforced concrete positions around Zelina at the foot of the mountains.

M. Sorel also declared that his two months' stay in Slovakia had provided him with clear cut proof that the German-Slovak treaty is the only consecrated state of affairs brought about by the progressive German militarisation of Slovakia since March 17.

"Germany does occupy Slovakia and I was able to learn during my sojourn that the country is in the German process of being transformed into a springboard against Poland." —United Press.

Cabinet Consideration

Paris, Aug. 21. To-morrow's Cabinet meeting is expected to be devoted exclusively to foreign affairs and to prepare the way for a more important meeting on Thursday, when President Lebrun will be present.

BORDER FIGHTING RESUMES

Helsinki, Aug. 21.

Following a period of comparative quiet, the Manchukuo-Outter Mongol border is again threatened with major hostilities as the Soviet and Outer Mongol forces resumed intense operations on land and in the air on Sunday morning, according to the latest field dispatches reaching here.

A tense situation prevails along the western frontier once again as the result of a series of skirmishes on land and in the air during the past day.

The Kwantung Army Headquarters announced this afternoon that the Soviet and Outer Mongol artillery forces resumed attacks on the Japanese positions from the other side of the river on the evening of August 17. Japanese artillery immediately responded to the Soviet challenge and succeeded in inflicting heavy losses on three companies of the enemy artillery.

A total of 40 Soviet planes were shot down as the result of a series of mid-air combats on Sunday.

Engaging 10 Soviet SB bombers over the Khalka River a Japanese air unit shot down two of them. Later Japanese aircraft encountered about 70 Soviet 1-10 type machines over the confluence of the Khalka and Holstein Rivers. During the course of fighting which ensued, 32 Soviet machines were brought down.

A squadron of 30 1-16 planes raided Hailuashan, Manchukuo town about 100 miles inside the border in the afternoon. Japanese anti-aircraft batteries succeeded in downing six of the invading machines. —Domel.

Sakhalin Issue

Moscow, Aug. 21. Mr. Shigenori Togo, the Japanese Ambassador, filed fresh representations with the Soviet Government regarding the fulfilment of the Soviet commitments in North Sakhalin when he called on M. Lozovsky, the Assistant Foreign Commissar, on Saturday.

It was understood that the dispute over the operation of Japanese concessions in North Sakhalin has not been settled yet despite the recent signing of a collective labour contract at Moscow. —Domel.

No major decisions are expected to be taken either in Paris or London to-morrow, since the position of both Governments has already been fixed, but the outcome of the two Cabinet meetings, it is felt, will emphasise that the two Governments are working on parallel lines.

Mr. Horo-Belisha, Secretary for War, called here en route home this morning. He had a long talk with M. Daladier, French Premier. —Reuter.

War Of Words

Paris, Aug. 21. There is little change in the German Press' violent attacks on Poland to-day. Yesterday a Polish official statement repudiated the German allegations and to-day's Polish Press publishes counter charges against Germany. —Reuter Bulletin.

Customs Dispute Discussion

Warsaw, Aug. 21. The Customs dispute continued to be discussed by Polish and Danzig representatives. Poland agreed to allow transport of foodstuffs into the Free City, which now pays in cash. Previously goods from Danzig to Poland were allowed only in quantities sufficient to pay for food entering Danzig. —Reuter Bulletin.

Agreement Should Not Be Delayed

ITALY ADVISES POLAND

Rome, Aug. 20.

"Poland has only a few days in which to reflect whether she wants to close the door to a reasonable solution or be overwhelmed by an adventure which, once begun, will threaten her complete independence," writes Signor Gayda in the Voce d'Italia to-day.

"Her real friends should counsel Poland to try and put herself in direct contact with Germany's attitude and place the problem of Danzig and the Corridor on the basis indicated in Hitler's speech to the Reichstag on April 28."

"Such a basis would solve the double problem of the national German rights in Danzig and the guarantee of Polish independence."

"While there is still time for an agreement, Poland should not waste time. A few days will be too late and irreparable and holds dark forebodings for her future," Signor Gayda declares.

Creation Of Gdynia

"Ever since the first days of peace Poland has striven to create along-side Danzig a new port destined to become its rival because Poland herself had deserted Danzig and poured her finances in efforts to develop the port of Gdynia to such a point that in 1938 9,200,000 of the trade passed through the new port and only 7,100,000 through Danzig."

"In short, Poland denounced Danzig to Germany before the question of restitution had even been considered."

"For Gdynia has been reserved all the rich commerce while for Danzig remains only the poor bulky traffic to bolster statistics but which is of minor importance from the standpoint of national economy."

"Danzig, in Poland's hands, has seen her maritime activities deteriorate. Danzig has tried to save herself by the creation of new activities, but these activities are due in great part of her own initiative. All of this proves that Danzig is really not a vital problem for Poland, still less the question of its independence."

"It is only a question of prestige." —United Press.

Ciano Hurries Back

Rome, Aug. 20. The Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, prematurely returned to Rome this evening.

Originally his departure from Albania had been fixed for to-morrow. He was accompanied by the Governor of Albania. Nothing is known so far as to the reasons for his unexpected return. —Trans-Ocean.

Count Ciano Back

Rome, Aug. 21. Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, returned to Rome to-day, cutting short his visit to Albania. He will continue diplomatic conversations which he broke off when he left Rome for Tirana. —Reuter Bulletin.



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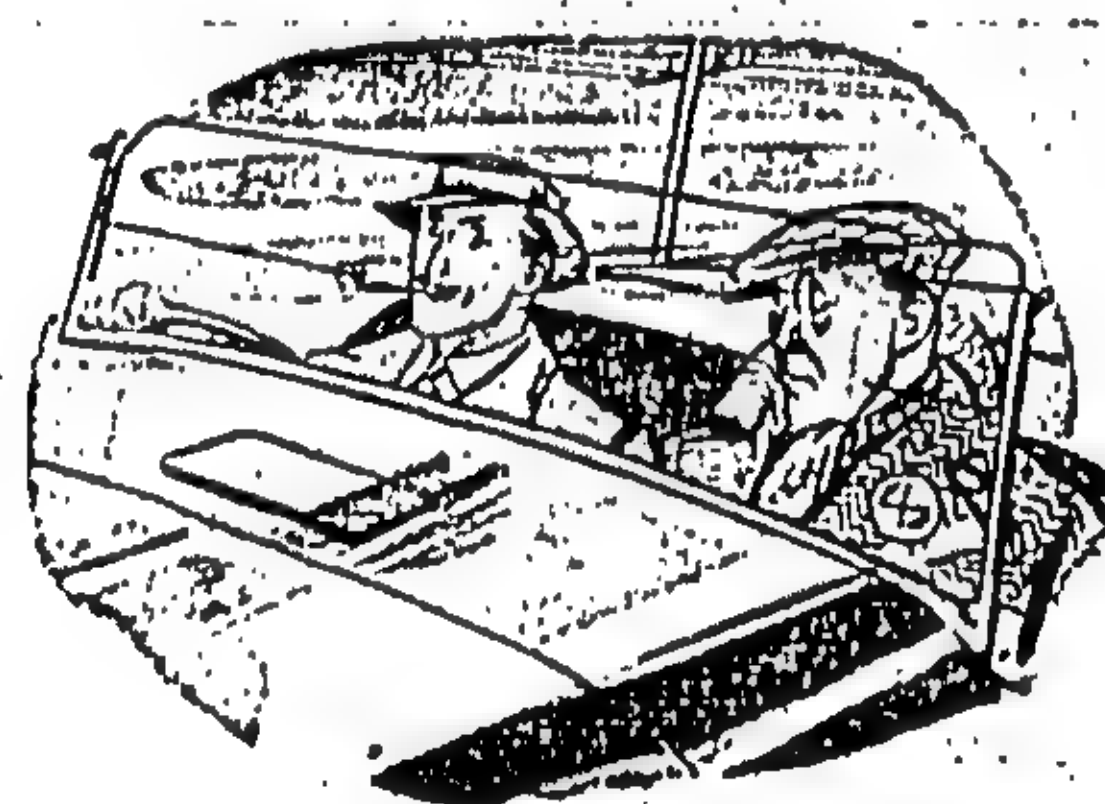
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"Yes. That was you."

"Oh, I see. Tell me, Philip — do you remember me being dropped head downwards from a great height on to a concrete floor, by any chance?"

"Slight headache, eh?"

"Philip — I wish I had your flair for understatement. I feel as though I had lived on an exclusive diet of iron filings and broken glass for the last five years. What amazes me is that you seem to be so disgustingly cheerful and bright this morning."

"I know. It must be very expensively. A medicine man warned me to stick to 'Glimets' at parties. So I always take the precaution of bringing my own bottle of Rose's Lime Juice. You may cook a sceptical eyebrow, Edwin — but it works."

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WEST INDIES CRICKETERS LEAD IN THIRD TEST

SOLID BATTING A FEATURE OF PLAY AT OVAL

K. H. WEEKES MAKES A BRILLIANT CENTURY

The West Indies cricketers batted very well yesterday at the Oval in the Third and Final Test against England. Solid scoring by the middle batsmen has enabled them to pass England's first innings total of 352. At close of play yesterday the tourists had 395 on the board for the loss of six wickets, thus being 43 runs ahead with four wickets in hand.

London, Aug. 21. Although there was a thunderstorm in other parts of the country, the Oval was not affected. A crowd of 8,000 attended the resumption on a fine wicket unaffected by slight over-night rain.

The overnight score of 27 for one was carried to 60, Jeff Stollmeyer and Hendley contributing 22 each by cautious play.

Play became lively and the batsmen continued to gather runs freely to the enjoyment of a shirt-sleeved crowd estimated at 20,000.

The score was taken to 128 when the second wicket partnership was broken by Hendley and Stollmeyer at short-leg off Hutton. Stollmeyer contributed 69, including four boundaries, in 155 minutes, his elegant strokes during the partnership which lasted 135 minutes delighting the crowd.

Vic Stollmeyer was next in and six runs had been added when Hendley had the misfortune to be run out. His score of 65, including five boundaries, kept him at the wicket for 140 minutes, his driving to the off and cutting being features of a fine innings.

With three wickets down for 134, Gomez joined Vic Stollmeyer and they were together when the lunch interval came with the total at 152, the newcomers having scored five and six partner 17.

BRIGHT BATTING
Only 12 runs had been added after lunch when Gomez was bowled by Peres, who hit his leg stump. Gomez contributed only 11 runs to the total. Vic Stollmeyer and Weekes batted steadily to take the total to 200 in 230 minutes. Stollmeyer reached his half-century after being at the wicket for 95 minutes, and Weekes, with bright batting and cutting, had his 50 hoisted in only 58 minutes. He had hit no fewer than seven fours.

The Stollmeyer-Weekes partnership collected the next 50 in only 23 minutes. When only four short of his century, Stollmeyer had the misfortune to miss a ball from Goddard and was stumped by Wood. The total was 327 for five when Stollmeyer left, after playing a faultless innings, featured by powerful pulling and driving. He was at the wicket for 145 minutes and hit 11 fours.

His partnership with Weekes had put on 103 runs in 100 minutes. Weekes deservedly went to three figures after 110 minutes of batting. At tea-time he was undefeated with 113 and J. E. D. Sealey had seven not out, with the total 380 for five, England's first innings total having thus been passed.

Rain held up play for an hour after tea.

Another County Cricketer To Go

Following the news that Middlesex are not re-engaging Hulme and Hart for next season comes the announcement that Surrey are dispensing with the services of Thomas McMurray. This 28 years old batsman showed high promise some time ago, and played a number of fine innings for the county. Incidentally, he can claim to have played in a Test, for he fielded as a substitute in the Oval Test against the Australians in 1934, and earned rounds of applause by some fine work. Brooks the Surrey wicketkeeper, who recently lost his place in the first team to Mobey, has been engaged for another year, with a hint that next season may be his last with the club.

At the resumption, Weekes was caught by Hammond off Nichols for 137, which had taken him 135 minutes to make. Weekes revealed brilliant all-round form, hitting one six and 18 fours.

The score was now 380 for six. Stumps were drawn at 395 for six, Sealey being 17 not out and Leary Constantine not out.

The following were the detailed scores as cabled by Reuters:

West Indies—1st Inn	
R. S. Grant, c Goddard, b Perks	6
Jeff Stollmeyer, c Perks, b Hutton	59
G. Hendley, run out	65
Vic Stollmeyer, st. Wood, b Goddard	90
G. E. Gomez, b Perks	11
K. H. Weekes, c Hammond, b Nichols	137
J. E. D. Sealey, not out	17
L. N. Constantine, not out	1
Extras	3
Total (for 6 wks.)	395

Fall of wickets—1 (Grant) for 12; 2 (Jeff Stollmeyer) for 128; 3 (Hendley) for 134; 4 (Gomez) for 164; 5 (Vic Stollmeyer) for 327; 6 (Weekes) for 389.



SET FOR 20 ROUNDS—Old-time, long-range bout is scheduled for Joe Louis and Bob Pastor when they meet at Briggs Stadium, Detroit, on Sept. 21, in 20-round title go. Here, Joe, left and Bob sign up in Detroit. Michigan Boxing Commissioner John J. Hottel, center.

Lawn Bowls

Three Indian R.C. Players Left In Quarter-Finals

(By "Abe")

The three Indian R.C. players left in the Open Bowls singles championship all won their matches yesterday in the Fourth Round to qualify for the quarter-finals of the competition.

Amongst those eliminated yesterday were H. A. Alves, who was beaten by his club-mate, C. F. Remedios, former champion of Shanghai; and A. E. Coates, a former Colony champion, who was rather surprisingly beaten by M. R. Abbas.

The two matches on the Civil Service C.C. green which were expected to be close affairs did not turn out to be so. A. R. Dallah was playing far too well for C. M. Silva, last year's "giant-killer," who could not find his touch. Dallah led 12-0 on the sixth end, and went on to win by 21-7 after being ahead all the way.

Of the 14 heads played, Silva won only four, a three, two and two singles being his only successes, whereas Dallah had four threes, three twos, three singles amongst his ten winning heads.

On the adjoining rink, M. R. Abbas won surprisingly easily against A. E. Coates, the final scores being 21-12. Thanks to a good start, Abbas led 20-5 at one stage, and though he allowed his opponent to score seven on three heads, he finished the match with two on the 19th.

To win bowls matches a player frequently needs "joss." Abbas had it yesterday while Coates did not. Twice Coates gave away the shot when he was lying, and on at least one occasion Abbas was lucky either to add to the count or to take the shot.

On the whole, Coates was not playing up to his usual form, having difficulty in getting his weight almost right through the match.

EXCITING TUSSELE

As expected, the match between C. F. Remedios and H. A. Alves produced a splendid struggle. There was never very much in it, although Remedios held a slight advantage nearly all the way. On the 7th head, the winner led 6-2; at the 12th he was 9-5; at the 16th, 12-7; but then Alves staged a fine recovery between the 17th and the 20th, which not only enabled him to draw on level terms but actually to pass his opponent. Alves registered a two, three, three and one to lead 16-12 on the 20th.

At the 22nd, Alves was leading 16-13 as the result of a two, but he got stuck there and never scored again, whereas his opponent went on to his game by having one, two, two, one and three in successive heads.

The game between A. R. Minu and A. M. Omar was another close affair. The evenness of the struggle is attested by the scores:—8-7 for Minu on the 8th, 9-8 for Omar on the 9th, 12-11 for Minu on the 14th, 13-13 on the 16th, 15-15 on the 19th, 16-10 on the 21st, 10-16 for Omar on the 22nd and 19-18 on the 24th.

In the 25th head, however, Minu scored a three to win out. Also on the Recreation green, H. White defeated W. Gill by 21-12 on the 20th head. This game was not as exciting as the Minu-Omar encounter. At one stage White was leading 18-0 and though Gill made a partial recovery he had lost the effort too late.

30 DAYS MATCH
Only one match will be decided today in the Fourth Round, the contest-

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played in the Fourth Round of the Open Bowls singles championship yesterday:

C. F. Remedios beat H. A. 21-18 on the 27th.
H. White beat W. Gill 21-12 on the 20th.
A. R. Minu beat A. M. Omar 21-19 on the 25th.
A. R. Dallah beat C. M. Silva 21-7 on the 14th.
M. R. Abbas beat A. E. Coates 21-12 on the 19th.

ants being T. A. Madar, of the Kowloon C.C., and B. Basto, of the Club de Recreio. The tie will be played off on the Kowloon B.C.C. green.



Miss Kathleen Garnham, who won the Ladies' 144 yards free style event in the Colony swimming championships. —Staff Photographer.

Tennis

AMERICAN DOUBLES FINALS

Brookline, Mass., Aug. 21. In the finals of the American national doubles championships, Miss Alice Marble and Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Fabyan, the Wimbledon champions, defeated Miss Kay Stammers and Mrs. Freda Hammersley (Great Britain) by 7-5, 8-6 in the women's event, gaining the title for the third consecutive year.

In the final of the men's event, Adrian Quist and John Bromwich (Australia) beat Jack Crawford and Harry Hopman (Australia) 6-6, 6-1, 6-4.

This is the first time that an All-Australian final has been seen since the inauguration of the championships in 1931.—Reuter.

Peter Kane Knocks Out Frenchman

Peter Kane, of Golborne, the former world fly-weight champion, quickly disposed of Pierre Louis, the French bantam-weight champion, whom he beat in the third round of a contest scheduled for ten rounds, in the open air at the Louis XI Stadium at Monte Carlo on August 5. Kane did most of the attacking in the first round, but there were no real damaging punches landed.

With Louis showing willingness to mix matters, there were some fast exchanges in the second round, in which Louis broke even with Kane, who was certainly the quicker of the two. The end came suddenly, and it was rather a shock for the crowd, who had anticipated a much longer and closer fight. Louis pluckily tried to continue, but after rising from the count he was in a dazed condition, and the towel went fluttering into the ring to save him from further unnecessary punishment.

Johnny Cusick, (Manchester), British featherweight champion, outpointed Bernard Leroux (France) over ten rounds.

Francis Hutz, the French Army champion, knocked out George Marwick, of Sussex, ex-Army champion in the third round.

Miss Garnham Wins Belgian Golf Title

Miss Kathleen Garnham, the English international, won the Belgian women's golf championship and J. M. Baillieu, the Australian amateur won the men's title at Le Zoute on August 6.

Miss Garnham beat Mme J. de Meulemeester, Belgium, 5 and 4 in the 36 holes final after having been three up at the end of the first round, and Baillieu beat W. Storms 6 and 5, also over 36 holes, after leading by two holes on the first round.

King Leopold, who was beaten in the second round of the championship, watched the match between Baillieu and Storms and later presented the cups to the players. His wore a white cap and carried an umbrella. Storms missed short-putts at the second, fourth, fifth and sixth holes in the second round. Mme de Meulemeester proved no match for Miss Garnham.

Here And There With "Abe"

Shanghai Swimming Times Impressive

JUST when Hongkong swimming officials were beginning to feel satisfied with the times returned by some of our Interport candidates in the Colony Championships, held at the V.R.C. last week, news from Shanghai regarding the amazing times of the northern stars rather shattered the confidence of these officials. Well though the Colony swimmers have performed, and while we have the greatest faith in them when they clash with Shanghai next month, we are perforce to admit, in the face of the 60% secs. for the 100 yards breaststroke by young Dick Hall, and the 60% secs. for the 100 yards backstroke by Jack Lumsdaine, that our prospects in these two events at least are far from rosy. Hall, an 18-year-old prodigy, bettered Kwok Chun-hang's Hongkong record by no less than 3% secs., Lumsdaine's time was an improvement by 2% secs. over Lau Po-hoi's Hongkong record. More comforting, however, is the realization that D. H. Taylor smashed the 50 yards free style record, and in returning a time of 24% secs., he rather restored some of our former complacency.

Chinese Talent

DISCUSSING Chinese talent, a Shanghai sports writer bemoans the fact that Shanghai is not as well-served in this direction as Hongkong, "his might be true in past Interports, but certainly not in the next; for most of the Chinese swimmers in the Colony do not want to go to Shanghai even if selected. Any discussion on the matter is hardly possible without stepping on some people's corns, so the less said about it the sooner mended. Nevertheless, it is a great pity that Chinese talent, of which there is an abundance at the moment, is not available for our next meeting with Shanghai for with it Hongkong would stand a chance of carrying off the honours, and without it the prospects are not nearly so good.

Shanghai's Stars

JUDGING by recent comment, Dick Hall's feat in covering the 100 yards breast-stroke in 68% secs. must have surprised even the Shanghai officials. When he won the event last year, he covered the distance without apparent effort or opposition in 73% secs., and it was expected that in this year's championship he would probably cut his time down to 71 seconds or thereabouts. But he astounded them by finishing in the amazingly good time of 68% secs. Lumsdaine, if he does the 100 yards backstroke in the same time in the Interport as he did on Saturday night at the A.S.F. Gala, should just walk off with the event. But Shanghai is likely to miss Toby Gavriloff, another young swimmer, who is thought to be as good as, if not better than, Noel Hammond, a star of former Interports. He was regarded as the all-important factor in Shanghai's hopes, but at the present time he is lying behind closed doors at the

Country Hospital and there appears to be little chance of him recovering fully by September 7 when the Interport is scheduled to begin. This means that Shanghai's chances in the 100, 220, 440 and 880 have diminished.



Toby Gavriloff, he is ill with typhoid.

considerably. Archie Logan, an old Interporter, in his present condition is not equal to the task of covering the 50 in 23 seconds or the 100 in 57 seconds—which he must do to beat the Hongkong men.

Campbell's Feat

SOMETIME ago when Sir Malcolm Campbell was after the land speed record, he succeeded in establishing it. Then he turned speed-bout racing and also went after the water record, which he established in 1937 with an average of 125.79 miles an hour. In the same year he improved upon this mark with 129.50 miles an hour; last year he went even better with a speed of 130.94 miles an hour. Not content with resting on his laurels, Sir Malcolm has once again improved upon his own record, his new mark now being 141.74 miles an hour. Only ten years ago, Gar Wood, the American speed-bout king, thought he had something when he flashed along at 93 miles an hour in his motor boat, but the speed of water racing craft has been upped 50 miles per hour since then, as the following figures will show:

Year	Speed	Driver	Nation
1929	93.12 m.p.h.	Gar Wood	U.S.A.
1930	96.76 m.p.h.	Sir Henry	U.S.A.
1931	125.79 m.p.h.	Sir Malcolm	Britain
1932	129.50 m.p.h.	Gar Wood	U.S.A.
1933	130.94 m.p.h.	Kaye Don	Britain
1934	134.86 m.p.h.	Kaye Don	U.S.A.
1935	136.48 m.p.h.	Gar Wood	U.S.A.
1936	137.25 m.p.h.	Sir Malcolm	Britain
1937	129.50 m.p.h.	Sir Malcolm	Britain
1938	130.94 m.p.h.	Sir Malcolm	Britain
1939	141.74 m.p.h.	Sir Malcolm	Britain

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ENGLISH SELECTORS SET MORE PROBLEMS

Information On Some Of The New Testites: Facts And Figures

(By "R. ARBIT")

There can have been very few Selection Committees in the last thirty years or so that have given general satisfaction. There have been none so far as I know who ever explained the reasons for what they did, and the public and the cricket writers are left to guess for themselves.

As regards this year's selections, and perhaps has been too good an all against the West Indians, though certain circles thought that the team was rather a sledge hammer to crack a nut. However, any Colonial or Dominion side would feel hurt if England did not put out her full strength—as witness the fuss in India because we are resting some of our best players with a view to a later Australian contest. And, as a matter of fact, the nut proved a very tough one to crack, and the selectors were not quite satisfied. Gimmlett, who has been tried in Tests before, did not satisfy them and he was replaced by Fagg and a much greater surprise—Goddard was preferred to Verity.

I have not the figures of last year's match before me but I know there was a good deal of criticism of slow batting in the second knock of England. Personally I think that in such weather a draw was the better decision. But, as I said the batting was criticised and many said that Verity could have won the game for England. This, however, is rather by the way as Goddard might also have done so had more use been made of him.

NOT ENOUGH NEWS
Anyway the Selection Committee determined to have a good stir up. Living out here when Cricketers still take a month or so to come out, it would be almost impossible for any one cannot keep in close touch with the game. The amount of cricket news sent out by the agencies is ridiculously small and practically contains bare results only. One has no means of knowing which cricketer is collecting a harvest of runs or wickets, or having a bad patch, and more important still, we don't know who are on the injured list. Selections and omissions are very largely influenced by this. For instance, I imagine that only illness or accident has kept Prynner out of the side selected for the third Test unless he was asked to stand down to make room for some other bats.

The three selections which caused the most surprise to me were those of Keeton, Nichols and Perks. Oldfield, though he first played only in 1935, has been known at the door for a long time. In his first season he made 1020 runs for an average of 35.17 and hit two centuries for Lancashire. He fell off a little in 1936 and 1937 averaging 20.36 and 27.17 only, but last season he made 1350 runs for 37.60 and has been making a lot of runs lately and on 14th July he was 15th in the batting average. He is an extremely stylish bats and his inclusion causes no particular surprise. He is twenty eight and a half years old.

M. S. NICHOLS
The selection which surprised me most, however, was that of M. S. Nichols; not that he is not a most excellent all-rounder, but because I had rather got the idea, his Test Match days were over. He played for England in 1935 and 1936, and in the fourth Test Match in 1936. He did not, however, visit Australia in Jardine's team in 1932/33, but played in the third Test Match against the West Indies in 1933. In 1934 he was twice 12th man against the Australians. In 1938 the most he achieved was selection in the thirteen or fourteen players who were asked to be present at the Old Trafford for the third Test Match, but as no ball was bowled and no eleven even selected, one cannot know if he would have got in or not. It is surprising how often a player is twelfth man—or is selected—and there is no play—and then he gets dropped. The answer must be that the selectors work on current form. Nichols was selected for the Players vs. the Gentlemen in 1938 both at Lord's and Kennington.

STEADY EXCELLENCE
It will therefore be seen that though Nichols has been on the fringe of things for years he has only on two occasions actually played in a Test side, making 7 not out and taking 2 for 36 vs. Australia and 49, with 1/30 and 2/51 against the West Indies. He has been, however, a most consistent cricketer for years



Raymond Lui and his Hawaiian Srenaders who will be appearing on the stage of the Queen's Theatre for three days from Thursday.

Swimming

S'HAH PREPARES FOR INTERPORT

Shanghai, Aug. 17.
At a meeting of the Shanghai Amateur Swimming Association held at noon yesterday, confirmation of the cable advice received from Hongkong was read in a letter received from the Colony's swimming body, advising the local group that the visiting swimmers would leave the Southern port on the s.s. Wingsang on August 27 and would arrive on August 31. Other members of the team would leave Hongkong on an Empress liner on September 3 and would arrive here later.

With the news that the visitors are definitely sending a team here, preparations are being speeded up to make the interport contest as successful as those which preceded it. Yesterday's meeting was a preliminary to the main event, which is being drafted advising them that arrangements for their stay will be made. The visitors will be in Shanghai for some considerable time before the actual interport gala takes place as the meeting is scheduled for September 7, 8 and 9.

COLONY SENDING TWELVE
Hongkong is sending up a team of twelve swimmers, including representatives in the various swimming events and in the relays and water polo. It is expected they will be a fairly good side and Shanghai will have to go out strongly to beat them.

The ailment of Toby Gavriloff, at last been diagnosed as Typhus, which means that he will be out of active participation for the whole summer and will definitely not be able to take part in the interport. His absence will be a tremendous loss, and the local team will have to look around for a swimmer to replace him. In the two Chinese swimmers, Z. K. Lok and C. L. Wen, Shanghai has two discoveries, but neither has recorded as good time as Gavriloff.

Shanghai will have the best chance in the breast stroke and the backstroke, as her two young swimmers, R. Hall, the breast stroke champion, and J. Lumsdine, the backstroke swimmer, should not only win their respective events, but are tipped to break the interport records for these events.

Water polo prospects are rosy, and Shanghai should be well in the running to win this as well as the medley swim events with the aforementioned two young swimmers to represent the locals in the breast and backstroke.

Lightweight "Natural" Title Fight
New York, Aug. 21.
Henry Armstrong, the negro lightweight and welterweight boxing champion of the world, who is accustomed to being a top-heavy favourite is only a 7-5 favourite for Tuesday's lightweight title fight with Lou Ambers, former holder of the title.

This is said to be the best lightweight "natural" since Benny Leonard fought Tendler in 1923.

The fight is expected to draw 35,000 "fans" and net in \$150,000 in view of the closeness of the fight between the two men. The uncertain condition of Armstrong's hands is encouraging Ambers' backers.—United Press.

Echo Defies Rescue
GRAND CANYON, Ariz.
Chief Park Ranger Perry Brown was assigned to one of the oddest tasks ever given man to perform. It was to rescue an echo. Tourists reported a man crying for help. Brown raced to the scene and found a tourist sitting on a rock below the rim shouting into space.

14/7/39 he had taken 80 wickets for an average of 22.84.

Year	Wickets	Average
1934	95	27.27
1935	110	21.98
1936	121	18.90
1937	122	21.98
1938	132	23.59

It must be remembered that Worcester is not a strong bowling county and he gets overworked. He was not selected for the Players at Lords and he has been, however, a most consistent cricketer for years.

British Ryder Cup Players

London, Aug. 21.
The following golfers have been selected to represent Great Britain in the Ryder Cup match against the United States at Ponte Vedra, Florida, on November 18 and 19:
Henry Cotton (Captain), J. L. Adams, Richard Burton, Sam King, Alfred Padgham, Dai Rees, Charles Whitcombe and Reginald Whitcombe.—Reuter.

Basketball

CANADIANS' THIRD WIN IN MANILA

Manila, Aug. 22.
The Canadian basketballers scored their third victory in four Manila appearances last night by defeating the University of Santo Tomas by 31 points to 26.

The game was close throughout with the score never more than a point apart in all quarters except the last.

The Canadians led in the first quarter by nine to eight, and maintained their slight slim margin throughout.

Both teams scored eight points in the third quarters but the Canadians "iced" the game by scoring eight points in the last quarter against Santo Tomas' five points.

The centre, Job Ross, was the star of the Canadian team.—United Press.

LATEST ST. LEGER CALL-OVER

London, Aug. 21.
The following is the latest call-over for the St. Leger:
Blue Peter, 11/8 (L and O.)
Pharis II, 9/4 (O.), 5/2 (L.)
Hellsbells, 10/1 (O.), 10/9 (L.)
About Maitre, 10/1 (O.)
Quick Ray, 10/8 (O.)
Galatea II, 10/8 (O.)
Fair Chance, 20/1 (O.), 25/1 (L.)
Fairstone, 20/1 (O.), 25/1 (L.)
Signal Light, 20/1 (O.)
—Reuter.

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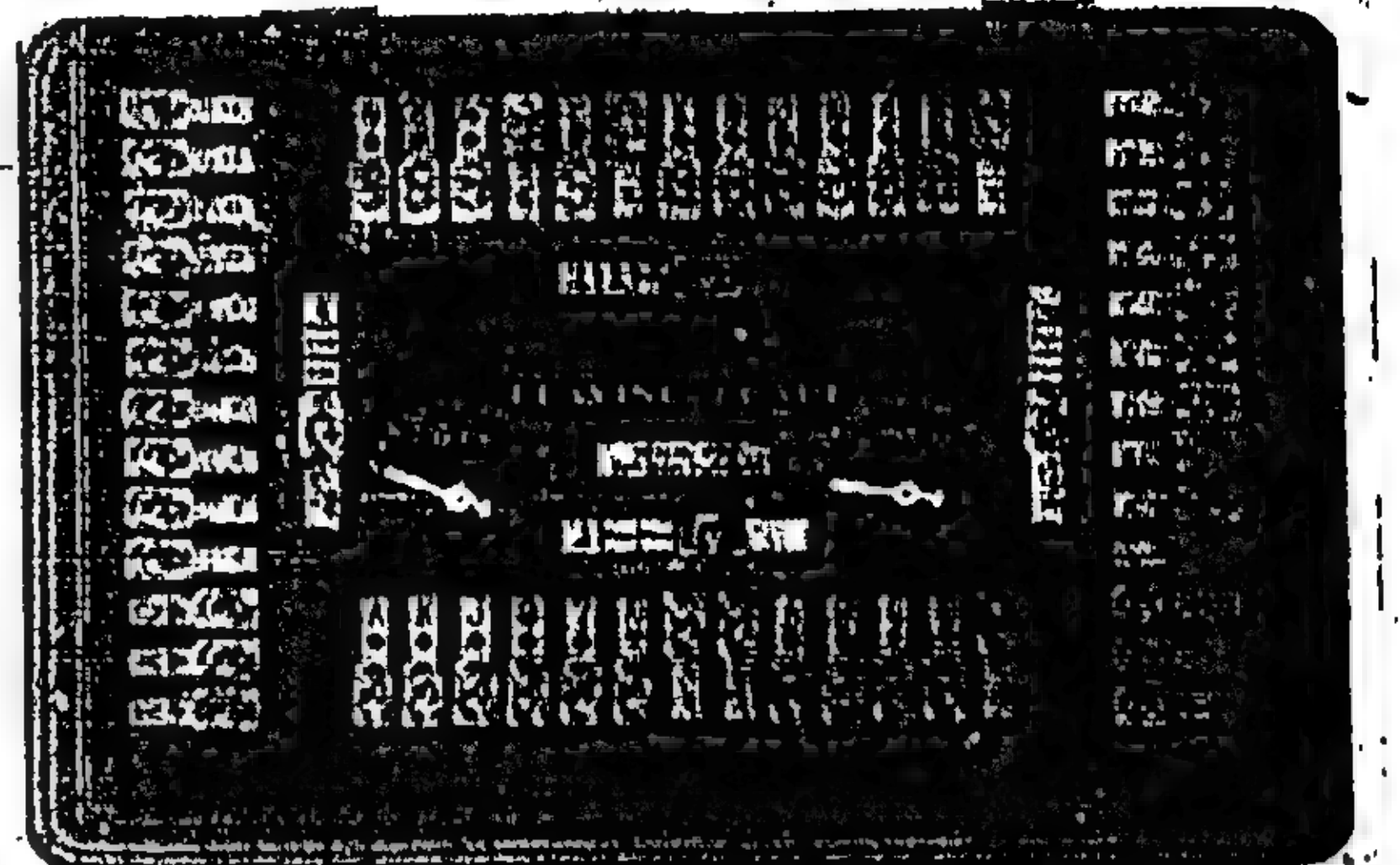
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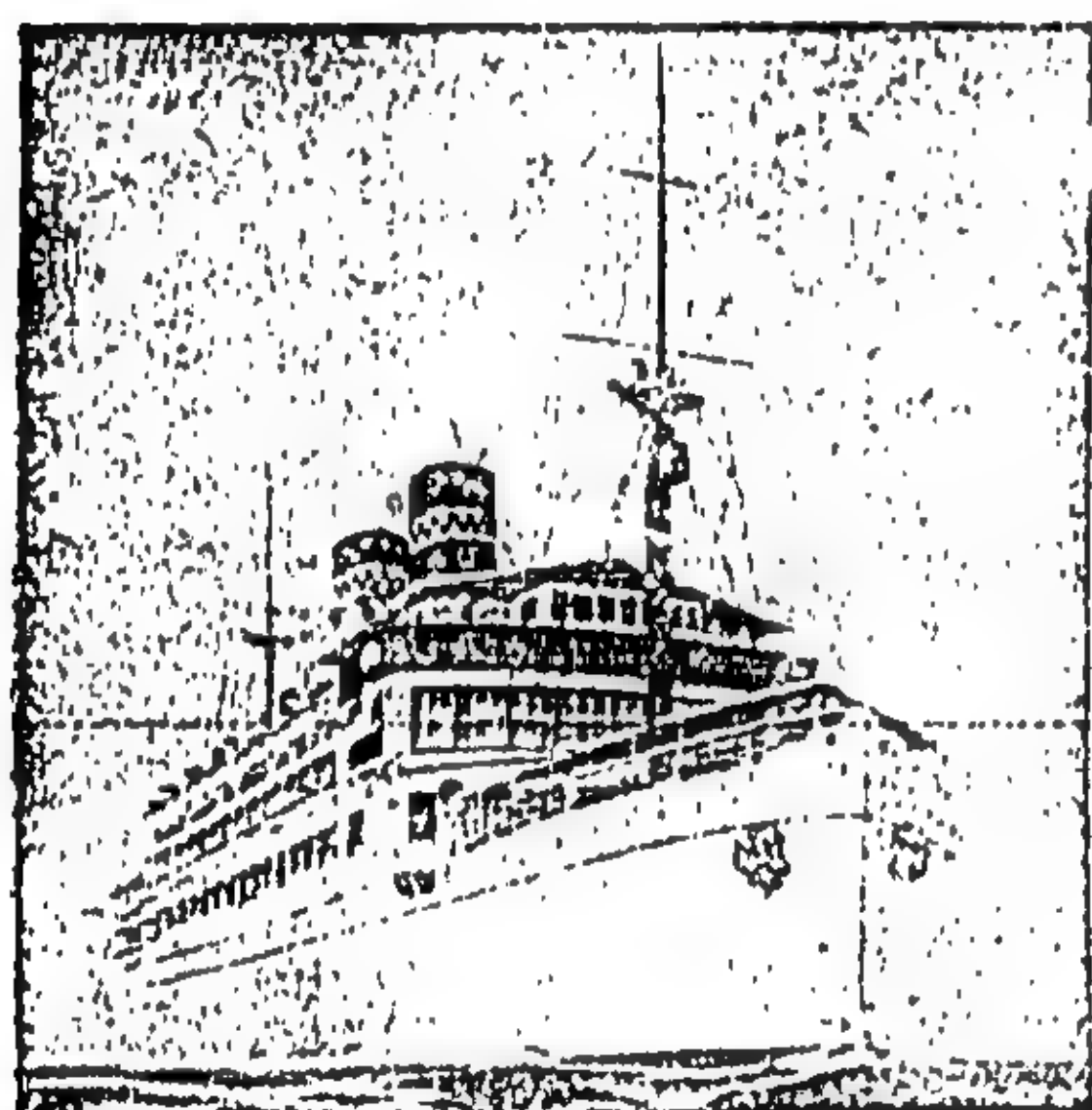
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For the home, office or holiday a coat frock that slips on in a second deserves a good remnant to express its usefulness in the modern girl's wardrobe.

Tomato Tit-Bits

HAVE you ever tried to count the number of things you can do with tomatoes? Think for a minute and you'll soon find that you have exhausted the fingers of both hands and somebody else's as well.
The tomato abounds with possibilities. It can appear in some form or other at any meal—as a cocktail or before dinner appetiser, with the breakfast bacon, as soup, as a second vegetable, in the tea-time or picnic sandwiches, in a host of supper dishes, and, of course, in a popular preserve like a well-spiced chutney.
Don't forget the sugar when you prepare tomatoes for grilling, baking or frying. Cut them in halves and sprinkle with salt, pepper and caster sugar.

Do this some time before you cook and then the seasonings will have a chance to do their job properly. Indeed, some people make a point of putting their breakfast tomatoes ready overnight so that they shall be well and truly seasoned.

Tomato Cocktail

An excellent non-alcoholic mixture. Sieve half a pound of tomatoes, add the juice of a lemon and a teaspoonful of tomato ketchup with half a teaspoonful of Worcester sauce, and shake well with crushed ice. Serve in small glasses.

The First Course

You can serve this in place of grape-fruit when friends come to dinner.
Put slices of skinned tomato into glasses alternately with slices of peeled orange. Cover with a sauce made of orange juice, a few drops of white vinegar and a little oil, these carefully blended together with a wooden spoon. Sprinkle a little chopped parsley on top of each and serve ice cold.

A Favourite Soup

Ingredients: 1 large onion, 3oz. dripping, ½ lb. cut-up tomatoes, parsley and bayleaf, 2 tablespoonsful ground rice, a few drops cochineal, 1 tablespoonful vinegar, 1 quart stock, ¼ pint unsweetened tinned milk.

Thinly slice the onion and put it into a large pan with the dripping, tomatoes, parsley and bayleaf. Set the lid on the pan and cook the mixture for quarter of an hour over slow heat, stirring occasionally.
Mix in the ground rice, cochineal and vinegar and add the stock. Bring to the boil and simmer for half an hour. Pass through a sieve or strainer and re-heat with the unsweetened tinned milk. Serve with small squares of toast or fried bread.

Savoury Macaroni
Macaroni, spaghetti and rice blend extremely well with tomatoes. First

the macaroni dish.
Here the tomatoes should be skinned, so drop them into boiling water for a couple of minutes and you'll find the peel comes away easily.
Ingredients: 4oz. macaroni, 3 medium sized tomatoes, 1 small onion, 1oz. margarine or butter, bread-crumbs, salt and pepper.

Boil the macaroni in salted water for twenty minutes, drain and mix with the sliced tomatoes and bread-crumbs. Add the cut-up skinned tomatoes and lay all in a greased dish.

Cover with a good layer of bread-crumbs, put the butter in small pieces on top and bake in a moderate oven.

Cheese & Tomatoes
Quickly and easily made and a nice supper dish. Useful recipe when friends drop in unexpectedly.

Ingredients: 4oz. spaghetti, 6oz. sliced tomatoes, 2oz. grated cheese, 2 tablespoonsful top milk or unsweetened tinned milk, 2oz. bread-crumbs.

Boil the spaghetti in salted water for twenty minutes, drain and mix with the sliced tomatoes and bread-crumbs and make hot together. In a separate pan stir cheese and milk until quite smooth.

Put the tomato mixture into a greased dish, cover with cheese mixture and brown under the grill or in the oven.

If you want to make the dish even more substantial place a shelled soft-boiled egg for each person between the two mixtures and then brown.

For a Hot Snack
When a hot snack is wanted try this appetising savoury.

Allow two tomatoes per person for this dish.
Ingredients: 8 tomatoes, 3oz. plain-boiled rice, 1½oz. butter or margarine, 2 tablespoonsful grated cheese, salt, pepper and parsley.

Cut a small piece of the top of each tomato and scoop out the pulp. Put the latter into a small pan with the butter, and when hot add the boiled rice, seasoning and grated cheese. Fill the mixture into the tomato cases, sprinkle chopped parsley on top and lay all on a greased tin. Bake in a hot oven for fifteen minutes. Dish on rounds of hot buttered toast.

Unusual Fruit Salad
This is an out-of-the-ordinary way of preparing a salad.

Ingredients: 4 tomatoes, 4 tablespoonsful pineapple, 2 tablespoonsful chopped apple, mayonnaise, young lettuce and beetroot.

Cut a thin slice off the tomato tops and scoop out the pulp. Season the cases with salt and pepper and set aside for half an hour. Mix the apple, pineapple, chopped pulp and mayonnaise and fill into the cases. Arrange all on a bed of crisp lettuce leaves and garnish with beetroot.

SNOWBALLS

YOU must scoop the pulp from the tomatoes, leaving unbroken cases.

Ingredients: Short pastry, 1lb. tomatoes, 2oz. cooked ham, 1 tablespoonful chopped parsley, 1 chopped onion, 1 egg, 1oz. dripping, seasoning, 4 mushrooms.

Cut a thin slice off the top of each tomato and scoop out the pulp. Fry the chopped onion in the dripping until pale brown, add the shredded ham, chopped mushrooms, parsley, and some of the pulp and cook for five minutes.

Break in the egg and stir till thick without boiling and season to taste. Fill the mixture into the prepared cases and replace the top slices.

Lay each on a square of thin rolled short pastry, pinch the edges together so that the tomatoes are entirely enclosed, and bake for about fifteen minutes in a hot oven until nicely browned. (Regulo Mark 7.)

Tactless Parents

BOBBY was full of good resolutions when he came home after a visit to his aunt. His aunt was very particular about manners, and Bobby's somewhat officious way of opening doors for his mother annoyed that busy parent.

"For goodness sake, don't keep bobbing up and down to open doors for me," she expostulated. "It's quite unnecessary. Other things are far more important, if you want to be polite."

Stubbed and discouraged, the boy gave up his efforts after politeness, and when he was reproved for pushing on to a bus in front of elderly people, excused himself with, "Oh, mummy doesn't think that sort of thing matters."

That, of course, was not what his mother had meant, but she had made the mistake of discouraging well-meant efforts, and it will take the child some time to adjust his views on the matter.

Grown-ups who are consistently tactful with their contemporaries are often tactless with children.

Some parents complain that Peter or Joan is "such a difficult child." They never seem to realise that from the children's point of view they are very "difficult" parents.

They jump to the conclusion that a child is being naughty when often the naughtiness springs from a desire to be helpful, or to please one of his parents.

C. H.

Important Accessories

GOOD gloves can help greatly to enhance the beauty of a shapely hand. When choosing a glove, see that the thumb is well cut, so that there is no "pull" to make an ugly crease. Buy gloves that have good gussets, and taper rather pointedly at the finger-tips; this allows the nail, whatever its shape, to fit snugly into the tip, and the fingers to be well smoothed down into the glove.

Gloves are very decorative to-day. Made of all the fabrics one can think of from string to satin, and from leather to lace, they are an important part of a modern ensemble.

Women with large hands who wear a dark glove with a small light cufflet will deflect attention from the hand and make it appear smaller. Hosiery is another fashion point that needs to be considered.

To slim a broad ankle there are stockings that have a pointed piece of fabric woven at the back of the ankle from the heel, extending about three inches above the top of the back of the shoe. This, worked in a slightly darker shade than the rest of the stocking, has a slimming effect.

Always take the trouble to see that the back seam is straight, or a clumsy, ungroomed appearance will result.

Stockings with lace insets and stockings imitating woven net make a periodical appearance on the market, but these are primarily for women with thin legs and slim ankles.

Few women realise that a well-fitting stocking is as important as a well-fitting shoe.

It is best always to wash new stockings before wearing them, as they are less likely to wrinkle and to ladder.

J. D.

A Tea-Time Stand-By

HERE is a very economical recipe for shortbread biscuits:—7 oz. plain flour, 1 oz. ground rice, 4 oz. margarine, 2 oz. caster sugar.

Work all together with the hand until soft and pliable. No liquid is required. Roll out to about ½ inch thickness and cut out biscuits. Bake in a moderate oven for 15 minutes. This quantity makes about three dozen biscuits. Stored in a tin, these biscuits are invaluable as a reserve for unexpected visitors, because they can be transformed in five minutes into a variety of tea-time dainties. Here are a few suggestions:—

As biscuits, sprinkled with caster sugar. It is a good plan to keep in store a small quantity of pink sugar. A plateful of pink and white looks more attractive than all white.

Spread with jam and sprinkle thickly with desiccated coconut. Ice with chocolate icing. Decorate with halved cherries and walnuts. Join two biscuits together with raspberry jam, ice and top with a cherry or small blob of pink icing. (By adding a drop of carmine to remaining white icing.)

Other ideas will suggest themselves.

R. K.

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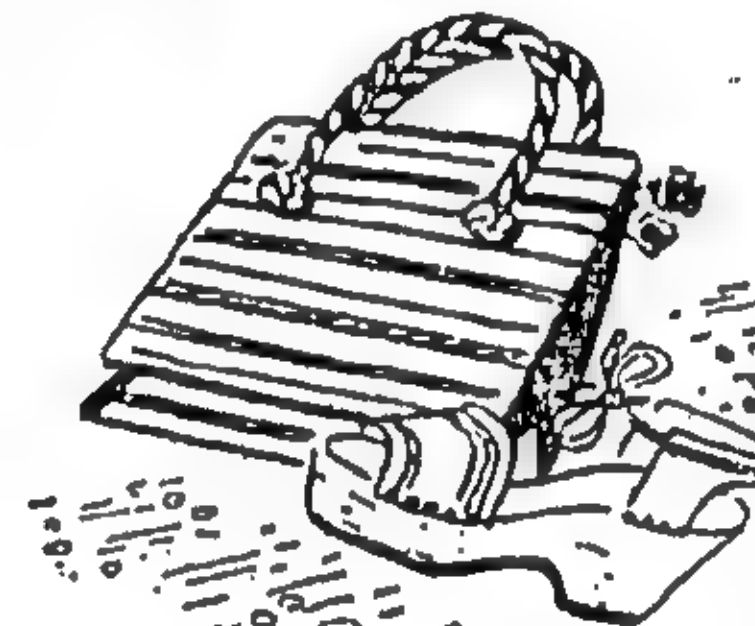
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Instead of tape loops sew curtain rings on oven cloths, tea cloths, etc. They can then be hung up in a moment.

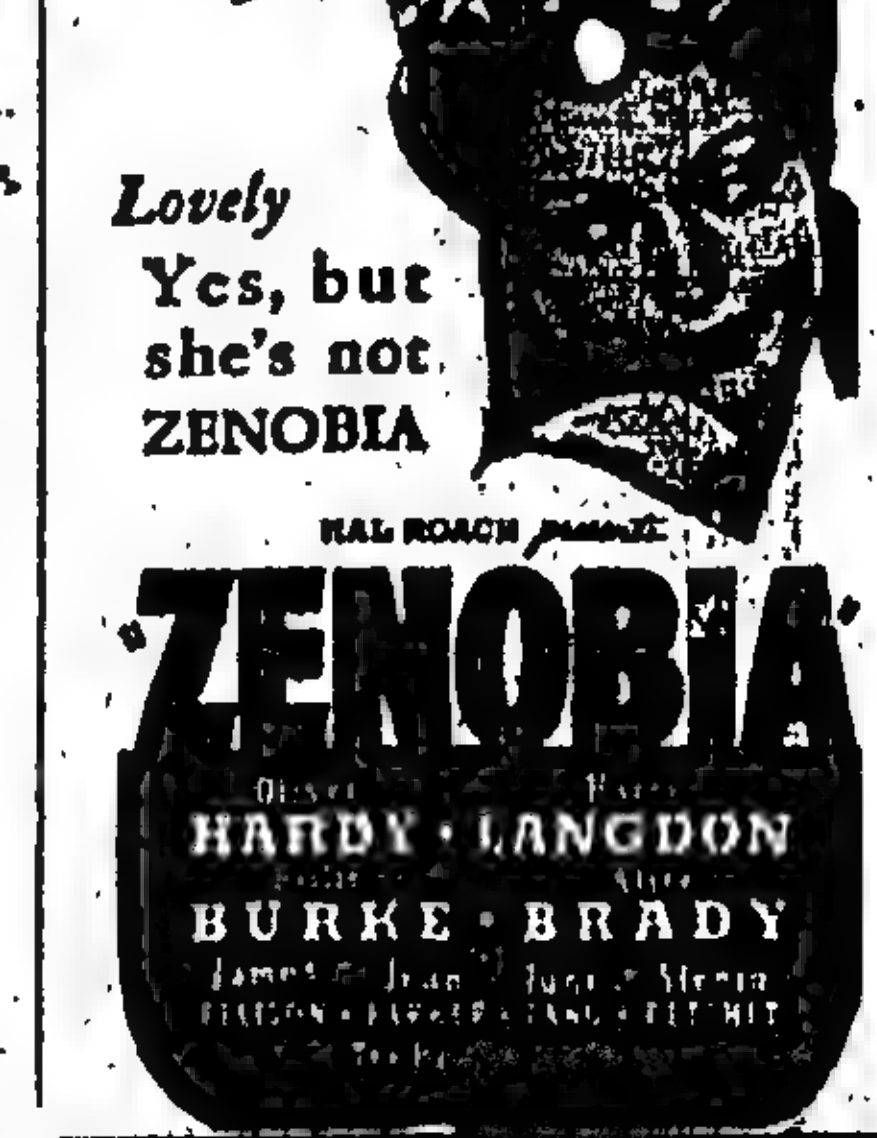
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THRILLING STORY OF DETECTIVE'S ROBBER CHASE

(Continued from Page 1.)

their usual places with the exception of an apprentice, Leung Ki, who was sitting at the entrance of the shop. Another apprentice Leung Hui was at the back of the shop.

"A man in black clothing came into the shop and pointed a revolver at Leung Ki. He was told not to move, and almost immediately afterwards four other men came into the shop and three of them had revolvers or automatic pistols in their hands.

"One of the men stepped out into the street and fired a shot. The other three men with revolvers and one who was unarmed lined themselves along the glass top. They then dipped their hands in, took some of the jewellery and put them into their pockets.

"This took about five minutes and after this they left."

Robbers Open Fire

Mr. Prentiss then described how an employee of the shop Leung Wing went into Dundas Street through the backdoor blowing his police whistle. As the robbers turned into Dundas Street one of them turned around and fired two shots at Leung, and three other shots were discharged at him when the robbers reached Cheung Sha Street.

However, Leung continued the chase and was at Sai Yung Choi Street when his cries of "robbers" attracted the attention of detective Tang Kai who was escorting two women prisoners.

Referring to Tang, Mr. Prentiss said: "He heard those cries of 'robbers' and saw five men coming towards him, and as they came towards him they noticed him. He was dressed in the ordinary black clothing of a detective and they were probably suspicious of him, because they drew their revolvers and pointed them at him. The detective said 'Don't shoot, I am not a detective' and the robbers then went on, followed by Tang and the man Leung.

Woman Killed

"When the detective was opposite No. 58 or No. 60 Argyle Street he challenged the robbers, and as they did not stop he opened fire. Two or three of the robbers then returned the detective's fire. He fired three shots and the robbers fired a matter of 10 or 12 shots, and during the exchange of shots the detective was hurt in the left arm. A passer-by who was in the line of fire was unfortunately killed. It is not known who fired the shot that killed her.

Mr. Prentiss then said that with the assistance of another man, Tang re-loaded his revolver and continued the chase, which carried them on to the railway bridge in Argyle Street. Here, the detective fired three more shots but to no effect.

The robbers after arriving at the entrance of the road leading to the Diocesan Boys' School, broke up, two going up this road, and three making their way to Victoria Avenue.

"At the corner there," said Mr. Prentiss, "the detective gave up the chase as he was bleeding from his wound and feeling rather weak. Other police officers took up the chase."

Proceeding.

Changes In Salvation Army Hinted

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The High Council of the Salvation Army, which is in conference at Clapton, to appoint a successor to the retiring leader, General Evangeline Booth, has passed a resolution "expressing the desire that no changes in the legal constitution of the Army should be promoted by the General elected without the fullest possible consideration of an consultation with the Commissioners."

The resolution is interpreted as a formal expression of a strong and growing feeling among the leaders that they should have a greater voice in the control and destiny of the movement.

The resolution possibly indicates that the views of Commissioner Lamb and his supporters who favour a system of government by a "cabinet" presided over by the supreme head, are prevailing with his colleagues.

CURTAILED BASEBALL PROGRAMME

New York, Aug. 21.

Only a curtailed programme of matches was played to-day in the Major Baseball League. The scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	4	7	0
New York	3	7	0
Battery	Cubs, French and Mancuso.		
St. Louis	1	8	2
Brooklyn	7	14	1
Camilli	honored for the Dodgers.		
Battery	Dodgers, Hamlin and Todd.		
Cincinnati	7	9	0
Philadelphia	0	7	1
Battery	Reds, Niggeling and Herberger.		

JAPANESE TAKING GRAVE VIEW

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casualties on the part of the Chinese police.

Charging that the Municipal Council police were entirely in the wrong, the statement declares that the Municipal Council police, while they are in a position to take care of public order, are committing acts prejudicial to peace and order.

Declaring that Britain has pledged to recognize fully the progress of large-scale military operations in China, and to refrain from doing any acts likely to prejudice the security of the Japanese forces under the Anti-Craglie agreement, the statement declares that the recent incident clearly runs counter to the spirit of the agreement.

Responsibility With British

While Britons are allegedly thinking in the light of the lives of Chinese citizens, the statement says, it is natural that anti-British movements are in progress, and that the responsibility rests with the British in the event of such movements becoming more serious.

The incident essentially is a matter which directly concerns the Shanghai Municipal Council and the Chinese Municipal Government but the Japanese authorities, especially the Japanese military, who are closely associated with the Chinese Municipal Government and responsible for the maintenance of peace and order in the Shanghai area, are gravely concerned over the affair.

Japanese military, naval and diplomatic authorities are carefully contemplating counter-measures, and so far from being able to condone the incident are gravely determined to deal effectively with the situation.

Preparing To Meet S. China Footballers

Manila, Aug. 21.

The Philippines Amateur Athletic Federation Football Committee is planning to meet this week to prepare for the invasion of the South China football team. Probably four or five games will be arranged for late September.

The Federation has received a letter from Batavia accepting the invitation extended recently to the South China players at present touring the Far East in preparation for the Olympics.

It is intended to ask the local teams to commence training early, as the local season usually does not begin until November.

The South China team is said to include 21 players, headed by the popular Lee Wai-long, United Press.

LATE NEWS

LETTERS

Farm Produce Prices

The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—In a spirit more of curiosity than of criticism I proceeded on one of my regular purchasing tours of the retail market at Reclamation Street, Yau-mat, on Saturday afternoon. The report that a decided shortage of vegetables was making itself already felt and that prices had risen sharply in consequence prompted an inquisitive mind to verify facts. Here is the result of a brief investigation; if it should serve no other purpose it will at least tend to relieve the disturbed minds of economical housewives with the comforting thought that they, and their dear husbands and kiddies, need not have to go without the ample supplies to which our citizens have been so cheaply accustomed—or shall I say indulgently spoiled—as a matter of course in Hongkong.

With the advantage of a knowledge of colloquial Chinese I was able to conduct my inquiries in the market stallholders' own language. The charge of faked prices through faulty interpretation need not be suspected, nor can deliberate misquotation of prices be sustained. As a regular customer I received answers from the stallholders or their folk in the ordinary way.

Comparative Prices

Now let the comparative prices speak for themselves. The unit of weight is catties, not pounds.

	Previous Week's Saturday's Prices	Previous Week's Saturday's Prices
Vegetables:		
Peas (Chinese)	7 cents	7 cents
Peas (superior quality)	8	8
Guava (according to quality)	5	7/8
Pineapples, Tain Wan variety, (going out of season)	5	8
Pineapples, imported variety	10	12

The reason for the substantial reduction in the price of pineapples is the fact that in the previous week the fruit had just come into season; the supply has since been more plentiful.

Another notable feature observable in the course of the afternoon's visit was that there was an abundant supply of the different fruits and vegetables, and every stallholder was doing a brisk business in the cheery spirit so characteristic of Chinese, vendor, and patrons alike.

It has been for me a pleasing practice for many years to visit the markets at regular intervals. If my little experience of this Saturday's visit has helped to promote the popularity of the markets among European housewives, I would assure them that they have all to gain and nothing to lose—except, perhaps, in the eyes of their friends that the practice would be *infra dig.*

J. P. BRAGA.

DEVELOP THE N.T.

Sir,—Regardless of official statements that Hongkong food supplies will not be affected at present by the blockade of the boundary between China and the New Territories, I notice the price of vegetables has already gone up considerably and this is confirmed by reports in your paper. Is it not time that some big movement is started to develop the New Territories in order to overcome this shortage of vegetables etc. and the additional cost of living? We have read a good deal about the possibility of making Hongkong more self-supporting in regard to food stuffs, but nothing ever seems to materialize. Could not the Government take this matter up before it is too late? Progress.

I.R.A. Expulsions

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The Home Secretary, Sir Samuel Hoare, has now signed 113 orders under the Prevention of Violence Act, comprising 85 expulsion, eight prohibition and 20 registration orders. The two latest orders, one for expulsion and the other for prohibition, both concern women.

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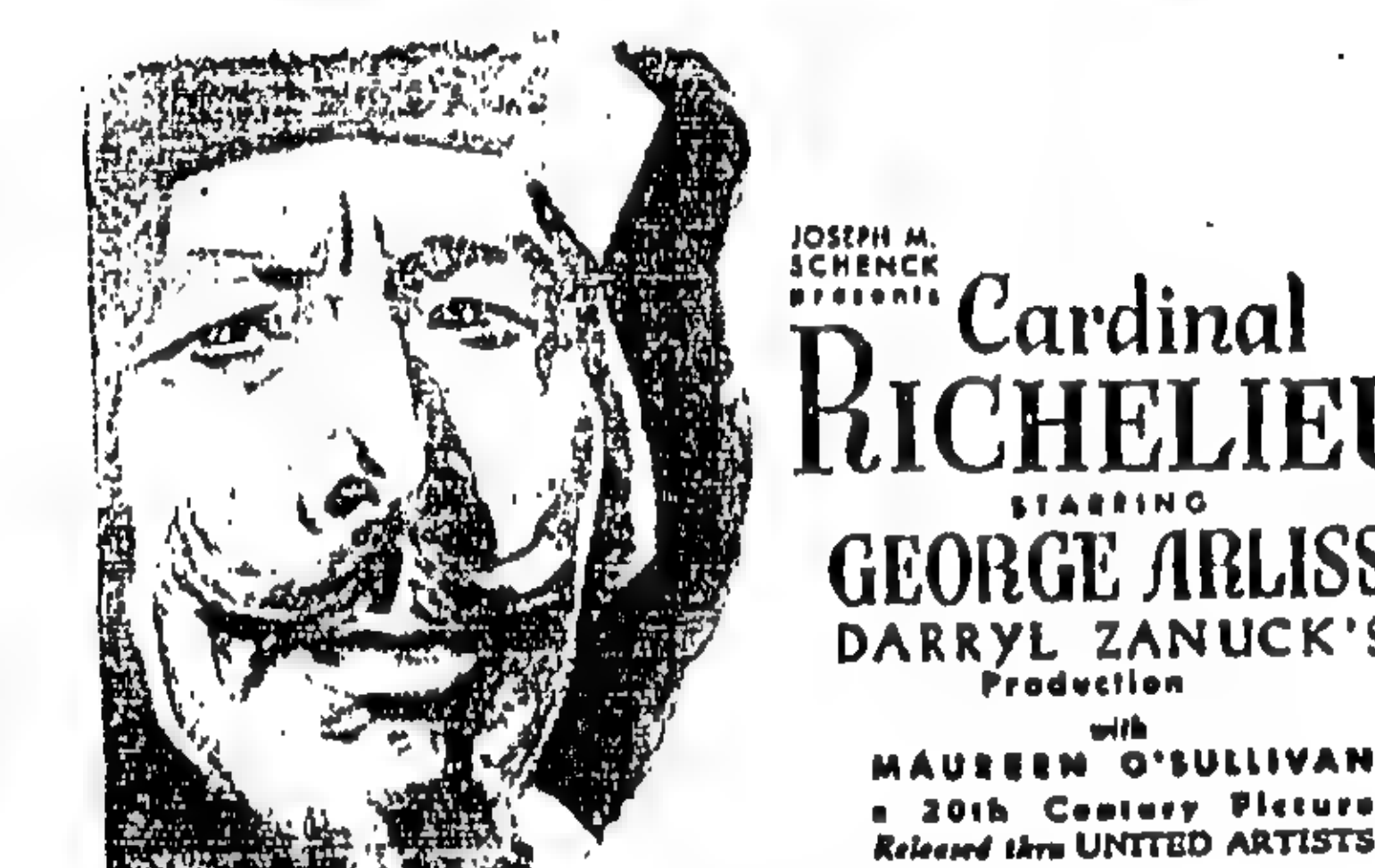


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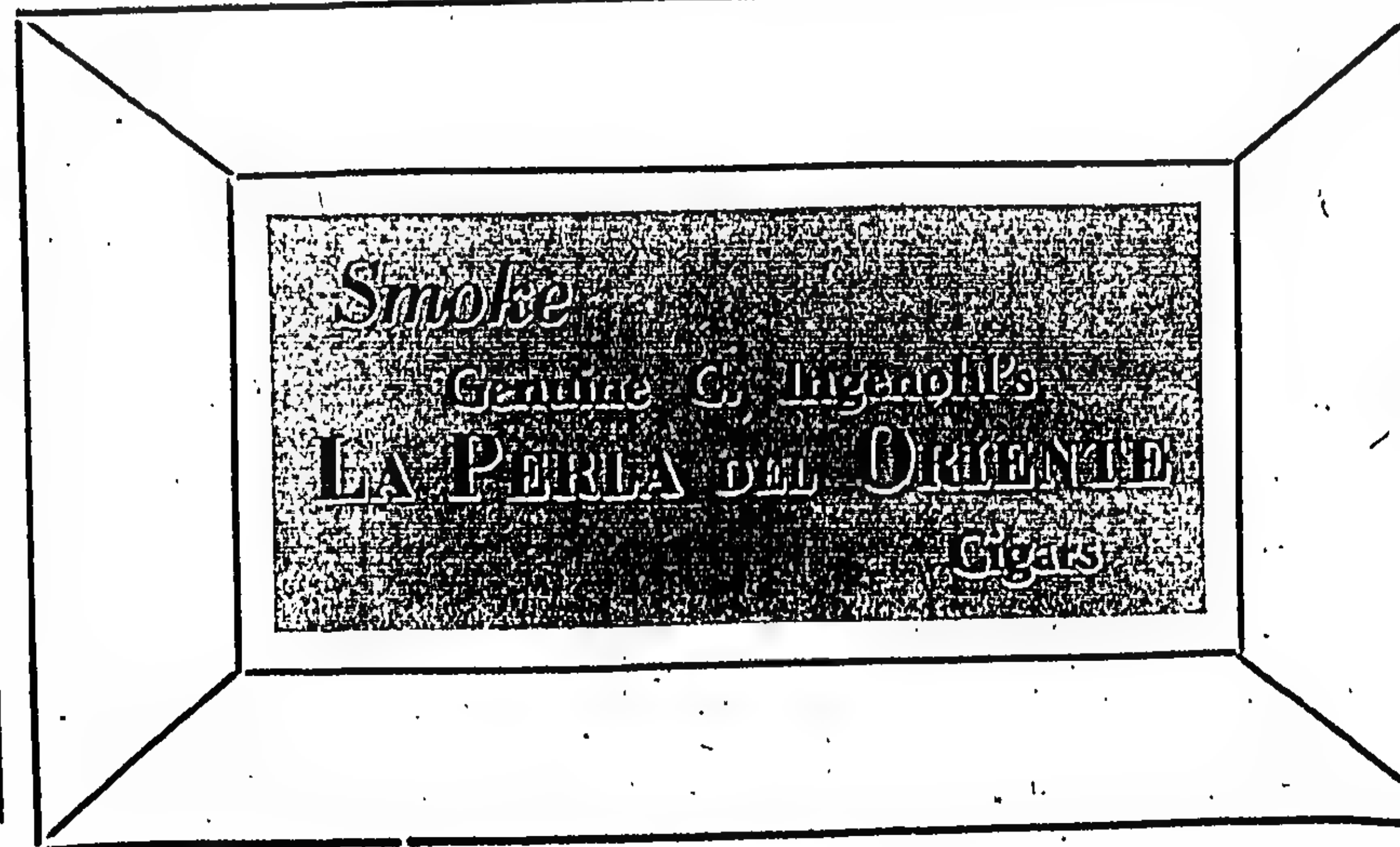
Arrangements for the Open Bowls Finals have been made by the Competition Sub-Committee as follows: Open Pairs at Kowloon F.C. on Sunday, September 3 at 2.30 p.m. Open Rinks at Civil Service C.C. on Sunday, September 10, at 3.30 p.m. Open Singles on a rink to be decided later on Wednesday, September 6. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, has notified his intention to be present at all three finals.

The game outstanding in the semi-finals of the Open Rinks will be played sometime this week between the rinks skippered by J.C. Brown and J.C.S. Fender.

MAIDENS' FESTIVAL

The Chinese Maidens' Festival, which had its origin from the beautiful legend of the "Seven Sisters" was observed by the girls of Hongkong yesterday in time-honoured fashion. Lyndhurst Terrace, centre of Chinese shops selling ladies' ornamental goods, did a good business during the last few days, while the fruit stores also made much profit due to demand for fruits in connection with the religious observance of the Festival.

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"Something Is Going To Happen Very Soon Indeed"

Europe's Nerves on Edge: Increasing Tension

Key Statesmen Get Together In London

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Among many callers at No. 10, Downing Street to-day, was Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Deputy Leader of the Opposition Party. Lord Halifax stayed to lunch with the Prime Minister. He looked rather serious on leaving No. 10 but he gave a smile to the photographers as he walked to the Foreign Office to keep an appointment with Mr. George Lansbury, well-known journalist, peace worker and Labour politician. Lord Chalfont called at the Foreign Office this afternoon.

Woman Driver In Court Car Regulation Violated

A fine of \$5 was imposed on Mrs. Trevor by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistrate's Court this morning, when she was summoned for failing to have the licence disc of her motor car fixed in a visible position on the windscreen in Queen's Road East on July 22.

I. Radloff, residing at Courtland, Kennedy Road, was fined \$2 for parking his car in Chatter Road for more than two hours on August 9.

Defendant pleaded that he had only been in the Colony two months, and was not familiar with the regulations. He had bought a book on Hongkong traffic regulations, but it did not state that he could not park in the road for more than two hours.

New Ambassador

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Mr. Ronald Ian Campbell, British Minister to Paris, has been appointed British Ambassador to Belgrade.

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Tension seems still to be increasing here and the conviction is becoming widespread that something is going to happen very soon indeed.

The "National Zeitung" which is closely connected with Marshal Goering, writes in connection with the Anglo-Polish Treaty that "As in other important questions, the present week will bring a decision on this point too."

The plain hint is re-echoed in political circles where it is emphasised that the alleged Polish "atrocities" cannot be allowed to continue much longer.

Trial Mobilisation

Meanwhile reliable information suggests that Germany's trial mobilisation is progressing rapidly. Nurses are being called up, propaganda units are being organised, (the petrol shortage is worsening), soldiers are being inoculated, cars have been requisitioned, especially in Prussia, and long rolls of lorries and tanks are on the move.

Cologne and other Rhineland towns to-night start a three nights' blackout. Official quarters in Berlin are even more than usually uncommunicative but individuals in German political circles still profess optimism though they cannot explain why. Many say they still cannot believe that Britain will go to war on account of Danzig.

Hint To Axis Powers

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—While to-morrow's Cabinet meeting is naturally awaited with keen interest by the British public, official circles emphasise that the attitude of the Government is unaltered.

"Reuters" diplomatic correspondent learns from official circles that whether or not the Axis Powers are convinced of British and French firmness of intention to lend assistance to Poland in the event of the latter being brought into conflict with Germany on account of a threat to Polish independence, is not a question which can be answered in London. But that the Axis Powers should be alive to the attitude of the Democracies goes without saying.

Since the recent declaration of the Prime Minister in the House of Commons and Lord Halifax's speech of June 29, no chance has been lost to reiterate the sentiments therein expressed during the subsequent contacts between representatives of the Government in Berlin and Rome.

It is pointed out that any efforts to misinterpret the British attitude are part of a clumsy technique to shake the confidence of the Demo-

cracies and to have an effect on neutral Powers.

Complete Calm

The position to-night remains one of increased tension internationally but of complete calm and unabated firmness in London, states "Reuters" Lobby correspondent.

There have been no indications of any exceptional developments to-day. Among the matters to be considered by the Ministers to-morrow, a suggestion that the British Government should issue a reiteration of its attitude towards any act of aggression is expected to be included.

Opinion to-day appears to be that the subject was so clear as to require no fresh emphasis beyond what it may be assumed was given diplomatically in appropriate quarters.

There remains every desire not to exacerbate feeling by an unnecessary statement.

On the other hand, the Ministers will review the situation fully as they find it to-morrow and will take such steps as seem to be required.

No Parliament Recall

Fixing the Cabinet meeting in the afternoon will give the Premier an opportunity to see some Ministers individually during the morning should the need arise.

The question of recalling Parliament was not raised by Mr. A. Greenwood, Acting Leader of the Opposition, in his talk with Mr. Chamberlain to-day in view of the fact that the matter will be discussed fully by the Cabinet to-morrow in the light of the situation they will have to envisage.

Throughout there is resistance to automatic recall as demanded by the Liberals, the Government have promised that should a situation deteriorate substantially, they would recall Parliament without delay.

Should the Ministers decide to-morrow that a recall of Parliament is necessary in order to honour the "Edge" will probably be found that there will be a meeting before the end of the week or early next week.

Belisha Sees Daladier

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—Before leaving Paris on his way back to London for the Cabinet meeting, Mr. Hore-Belisha, the Minister for War, had an hour's conference with the French Premier, M. Daladier. Crowds assembling in front of the Foreign Office eventually let to the police cordoning off the area.

It is now certain that Lord Maugham, the Lord Chancellor, now on a visit to Canada, will be the only absentee from the Cabinet meeting. "The Star" says the following will be discussed at the meeting: A confidential report from the League of Nations Commissioner to Danzig, Dr. K. J. Burkhardt, on his discussion with Herr Hitler.

The new German-Slovakian military treaty.

The reports of Sir Neville Henderson, British Ambassador, from Berlin and Salzburg.

The consultations between the German, Italian and Hungarian Foreign Ministers.

Reports from Rome and Danzig.

The state of the Anglo-Soviet General Staff talks in Moscow.

And the endeavours of His Holiness Pope Pius XII to bring about a peaceful settlement of international conflicts.

Carmona Returns To Portugal

CAPETOWN, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—President Carmona of Portugal left in the Presidential liner at the conclusion of his State visit to South Africa.

Large crowds gave him an enthusiastic send-off and salutes of 21 guns were fired from British warship and from shore batteries.

Police Raid Hotel

EARLY this morning, a room in the Great Eastern Hotel, Connaught Road Central, was raided by the police, which resulted in the arrest of 13 persons. The room was being used as a gaming house.

Kwok Wing, 38, unemployed, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistrate's Court this morning with keeping the room as a common gaming house and was fined \$75. One gambler present in Court was fined \$5, while eight of them who did not appear had their bail of \$5 each forfeited. Three men pleaded not guilty to the charge of gambling there and were discharged as the police accepted their pleas.

The sum of \$4.20 seized during the raid was ordered to be donated to the Poor Box.

Reprimand For Absent Jurors

Two Jurors, Messrs. Yau Cheung-lai and L. B. Chuey, who were absent from the Criminal Sessions yesterday were this morning reprimanded by His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, when to-day's Sessions began.

Mr. Chuey pleaded that he had misunderstood the instructions that had been given, and His Lordship told him that before he left the Court he should clearly understand what his instructions were. Mr. Chuey's explanation was accepted. Dealing with Mr. Yau's case, His Lordship told him that although he was aware that he was summoned to attend Court as a juror at 10 a.m. yesterday he had gone to a meeting at 9.30 a.m. and had preferred to remain there than to attend Court to do his duties as a juror.

Mr. Yau said that he had arrived at the Court a few minutes late.

His Lordship: "I think it is well that you should clearly understand that your duties as a juror come before anything else. You will be well advised in the future not to go to these meetings but to come here."

Your absence has necessarily meant that other jurors have had to serve; had you been here they would not have had to serve. There must be absolute fairness in matters of this kind and if you are not careful again, you must remember that I have quite severe powers of punishment here and I shall not hesitate to use them. You can go and a down now."

Teacher Robbed

While walking along Hollywood Road, near a school, Miss Chan Hon, a teacher residing in Calne Road, had her gold wrist watch snatched by Tam Sui-sun, 17, unemployed. Miss Chan suffered a few scratches, but Tam stripped the watch from her wrist.

Before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistrate's Court this morning, Tam admitted the theft and was remanded for 48 hours to ascertain whether he would be fit to stand trial. Tam had a previous conviction for larceny from the person.

FOREIGNERS' NARROW ESCAPE IN AIR-RAID

CHUNGKING, AUG. 21 (Reuter).—FIVE BRITONS INCLUDING THREE AUSTRALIANS AND A CANADIAN, THREE OF THEM WOMEN, AND AN AMERICAN WOMAN, HAD NARROW ESCAPES DURING A RAID OF 36 JAPANESE BOMBERS ON KAITING ON SATURDAY MORNING ACCORDING TO FOREIGN REPORTS RECEIVED HERE.

One foreign report estimates that 1,000 bombs, many of them of an incendiary type, were dropped causing numerous fires.

Most of the buildings of the city's business district were wrecked. The Canadian Church adjoining the clinic was demolished and nine students were killed when a bomb fell on a building of the Wuhan University which moved to Kaiting after the fall of Hankow.

A special plane chartered by the American Relief Committee has left Chungking for Kaiting with doctors and nurses.

Shanghai Shooting Affair Reactions

Japanese Taking Grave View

Ponderous Statement Is Issued

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Aug. 22 (Domei).—INDICATIVE of the fact that Japanese authorities are taking a grave view of the Jessfield Road incident, intense activity has been shown in Japanese official circles here since last Sunday.

An emergency joint conference between the Army and the Navy took place at the Headquarters of the Japanese Navy's special service mission yesterday afternoon.

Colonel Utsunomiya of the Army Commander Mitsunobu of the Navy, who had just returned here from Tokyo, submitted to the conference detailed reports on the results of their consultations with the Central authorities in Tokyo.

It was understood that following the conference the situation will make important developments in the immediate future. Present at the emergency conference were Major-Generals Suzuki and Takashita of the Army and Rear-Admirals Katsuko and Shishido of the Navy. The meeting lasted until late last night.

"Flagrantly Hostile Act"

A statement issued by the Japanese Consulate-General says that it constitutes a flagrant hostile act against the Chinese Municipal Government that the Shanghai Municipal Council police fired in the Chinese Municipal police on duty in Jessfield Road on Saturday, resulting in a number of casualties on the part of the Chinese police.

Charging that the Municipal Council police were entirely in the wrong, the statement declares that the Municipal Council police, while they are in a position to take care of public order, are committing acts prejudicial to peace and order.

Recalling that Britain has pledged to recognize fully the progress of large-scale military operations in China, and to refrain from doing any acts likely to prejudice the security of the Japanese forces under the Arita-Craigie agreement, the statement declares that the recent incident clearly runs counter to the spirit of the agreement.

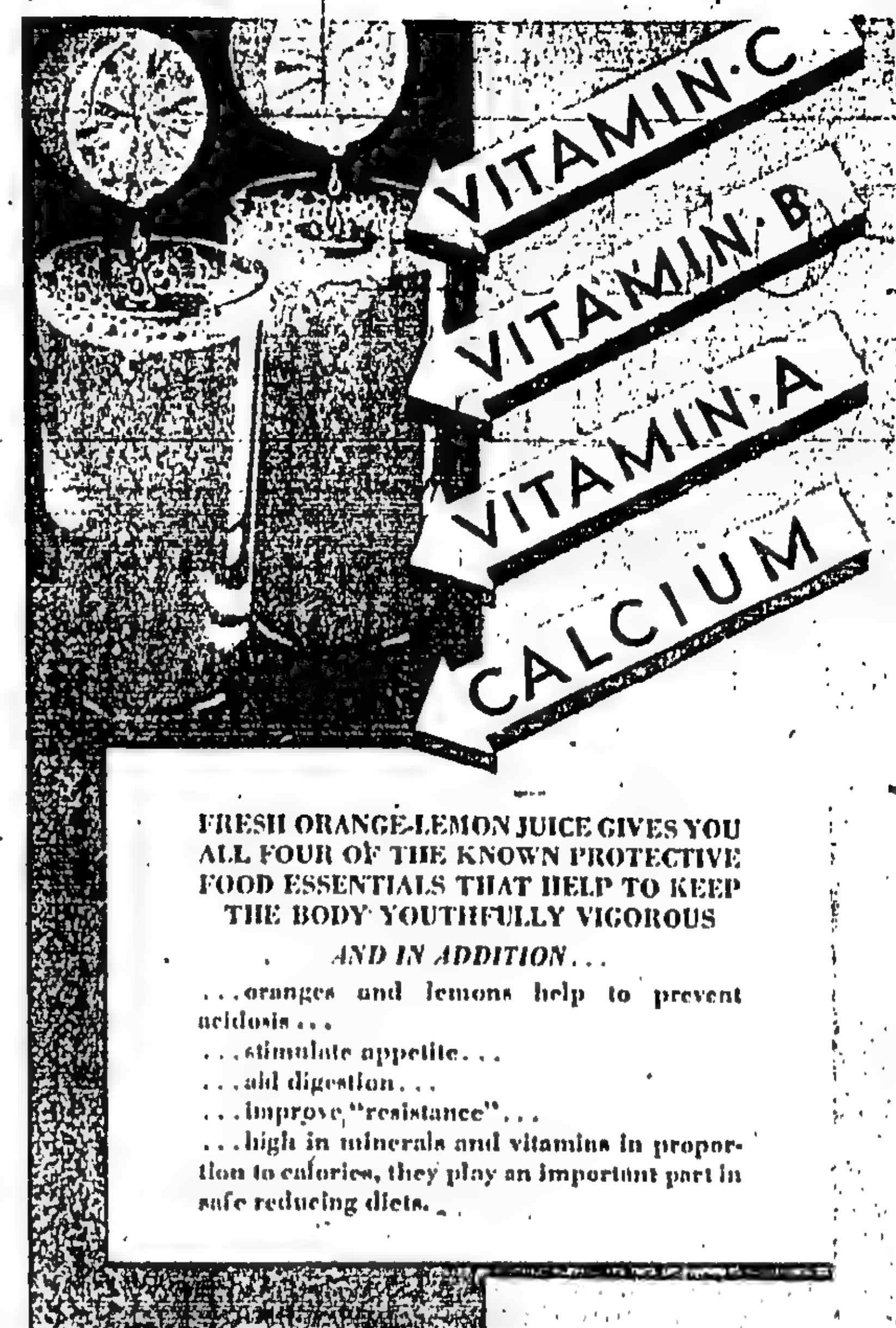
Responsibility With British

While Britons are allegedly thinking light of the lives of Chinese citizens, the statement says, it is natural that anti-British movements are in progress, and that the responsibility rests with the British in the event of such movements becoming more serious.

The incident essentially is a matter which directly concerns the Shanghai Municipal Council and the Chinese Municipal Government but the Japanese authorities, especially the Japanese military, who are closely associated with the Chinese Municipal Government and responsible for the maintenance of peace and order in the Shanghai area, are gravely concerned over the affair.

Japanese military, naval and diplomatic authorities are carefully contemplating counter-measures, and so far from being able to condone the incident are gravely determined to deal effectively with the situation.

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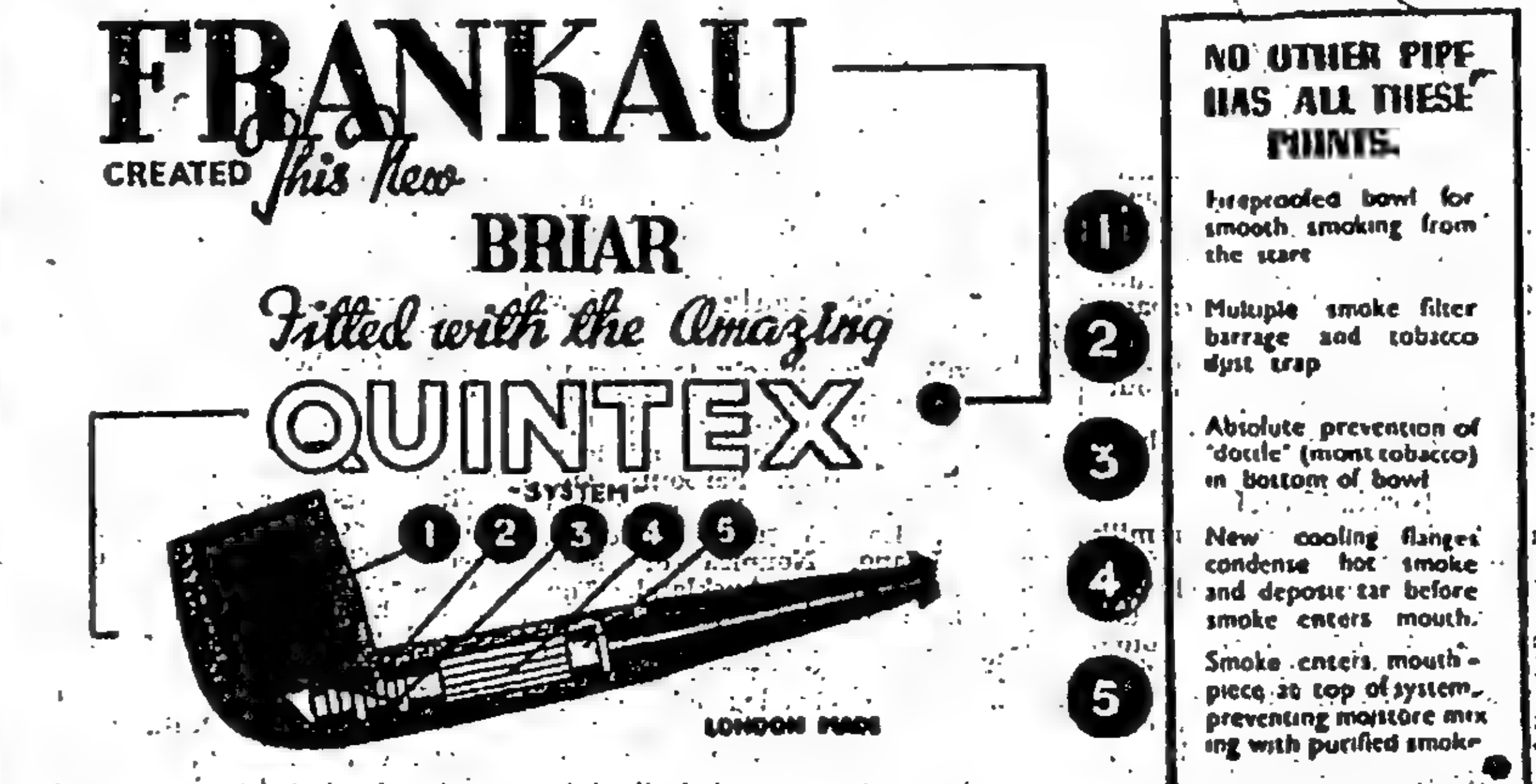
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REICH-SOVIET TO SIGN NON-AGGRESSION PACT

RICE RIOTS IN SHANGHAI

SHANGHAI, Aug. 22 (Dome).—Following Friday's flare-up in the French Concession, another rice riot occurred, this time, in the International Settlement on Sunday night when about 500 hungry Chinese stormed a rice shop in the western district of the Settlement.

Some 100 sacks of rice were taken away. When the police arrived at the scene, all the rioters had fled except four strugglers, who were arrested.

Frequent rice riots in the Concession and Settlement are attributed to the excessive rise in commodity prices, due to manipulations by profiteering merchants.

Moscow Talks Resume Press Reaction To Trade Pact

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (UP).—The British and French Military Missions resumed their conferences with the Russian General Staff to-day.

Meanwhile the "Pravda" in an editorial to-day stressed the importance of the Soviet-German Trade Pact. It said the pact may prove to be a substantial step further towards the improvement of economic and political relations between the Soviet and Germany.

Another editorial in the "Investia" said: "It can be safely stated that the agreement is the turning point in business relations between the two countries."

Recruits Doubled

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—Some 600 recruits joined the Royal Air Force last week bringing the total entry since last April to 16,552, compared with 8,754 in the corresponding period last year.

RIBBENTROP GOING TO MOSCOW WEDNESDAY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (UP).—It has been learned from official sources that the German Foreign Minister, Herr Von Ribbentrop, is going to Moscow on Wednesday to conclude negotiations for a German-Soviet non-aggression pact.

"Trans-Ocean" says the German Foreign Minister will fly to Moscow accompanied by the Under Secretary for State, Dr. Gaus who is head of the legal department of the German Foreign Office, the Legation Counsellor, Herr Hewel who is head of the Foreign Ministry personnel staff, Dr. Schmidt, head of the Press department, of the Foreign Office, and Herr Schmidt and Herr Brueckmeyer.

Berlin Impressed

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—The sensational announcement of the signing of a German-Soviet non-aggression pact created a strong impression in Berlin to-day.

German radio stations interrupted their programme to make announcements on the forthcoming pact and the newspapers published the news but without comment, contenting themselves with the official announcements.

Political quarters recall the great attention with which the development of German-Soviet relations have been watched lately in Paris and London and the semi-official German news agency says these have already given food for thought on the next step in German policy.

It is also recalled that the negotiations began between the Western Democracies and the Soviet three months ago were for the purpose of forming an anti-aggression bloc; the alliance was to be the corner-stone of Anglo-French policy which Herr Hitler had defined as encirclement. The Führer had declared then that the Reich would not allow pre-war history to repeat itself and would not inactively watch attempts to build up a united front against Germany.

Official

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—A German news agency has officially announced that Germany and the Soviet Union have agreed to conclude a non-aggression pact.

Herr J. von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, is going to Moscow on Wednesday to complete negotiations for the pact.

Joint Appeal For Peace

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BRUSSELS, Aug. 21 (UP).—A special meeting of the Belgian Cabinet to-day decided to propose to the Inter-Parliamentary Union at Oslo that the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Finland should make a



HERR VON RIBBENTROP

joint appeal to the great powers for peace.

A joint document would appeal to the great powers to do their utmost to avoid bringing suffering to their own peoples, and also to the populations of small countries not concerned in their quarrels.

King's Invitation

King Leopold has invited the foreign ministers of the Oslo States to meet in Brussels on Wednesday to discuss the European situation and presumably the draft of the joint proposal.

In addition they will discuss means of co-operation and the pooling of their respective resources.

Denmark, Norway, Sweden and the Netherlands have promptly accepted the invitation.

It is felt here that common action such as this will have considerable weight as a war deterrent, since the withholding of supplies would be an important factor.

Netherlands Accept

BRUSSELS, Aug. 20. (Reuter).—The Netherlands Government has ac-

cepted the Belgian invitation to a conference of the "Oslo" Powers which is being held next week. The Netherlands will be represented by her foreign Minister.

It is considered certain that the conference will be devoted to problems of international politics.

"The Oslo Powers include Sweden, Norway, Denmark, the Netherlands, Belgium and Finland. In 1930 they agreed not to raise duties against each other without prior consultation, an arrangement that was continued up to May last year.

Meeting On Wednesday

"Trans-Ocean" adds: The Dutch Foreign Minister, M. van Kieffens, the Norwegian Foreign Minister, M. Koht, and the Foreign Ministers of Luxembourg, Denmark, Sweden, Finland and Belgium, under the Chairmanship of the last-named, are expected to meet at Brussels on Wednesday to discuss the policy of neutrality and independence to be pursued by the parties to the Oslo Convention.

Questions of League of Nations sanctions, guarantees to neutral States, flying over neutral territories by belligerent Powers and economic matters are expected to be on the agenda.

London Nervous

LONDON, Aug. 21. (UP).—The announcement of the Russo-German trade pact this morning was believed to have been one of the factors causing the most severe Stock Exchange slump for months.

The Exchange closed nervous with War Loans down 1½ at 89½, representing a loss of £28,070,000 to the market.

War Loans now yield nearly 4 per cent, which, unless corrected, means that Government defence financing is now most costly.

Similarly Old Consols are at present lower than they were in 1915 after seven months of the Great War when they stood at 65½.

Some rails were very depressed of a strike. Oils and minings were depressed and trans-Atlantic issues were weak with U.S. Steel down 2½ to 47½.

Hongkong Reaction

Stock exchange inquiries this morning revealed that shares in the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation in Hongkong had dropped £4, this being a natural reaction to the fall in London. There was, however, no sign of anxiety, and the downward tendency did not extend to other important issues.

Anglo-Franco-Soviet Talks Doomed

PARIS, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—News agencies were reluctant to publish the news of the German-Soviet non-aggression pact until after midnight as they were waiting for confirmation. It is assumed that the Anglo-Franco-Soviet negotiations are now doomed to failure.

Poland Concerned

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WARSAW, Aug. 21 (UP).—The conclusion of the German-Soviet Trade Pact has caused an unpleasant impression in Warsaw where political quarters have openly expressed their anxiety that Soviet Russia may "be playing a double game."

The Polish press to-day only published a brief official communique without any political comment.

Despite the British and French negotiations with the Soviet Poland has never felt sure of the Soviet standpoint and has, therefore, taken care to refrain from participating in even political or military talks with Moscow.

Text Of Peace Pact Communique

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (UP).—The text of an official communique issued to-day was as follows:

"The Reich and Russia have agreed to conclude a non-aggression pact."

Sir R. Craigie's Neuralgia

Nikko, Aug. 21 (Dome).—

Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador, who has been spending the week-end here on short vacation following his recent arduous work in connection with the Tokyo negotiations, is unwell.

He is confined to his bed with acute pain in the left arm, which Dr. Kamemori, President of the Nikko Hospital has diagnosed as neuralgia in the left shoulder.

It is understood that Sir Robert will be obliged to remain in Nikko for a period in order to recuperate.



Fireman's Cook Boy With Opium Heavy Sentence Inflicted

A fireman's cookboy from the French liner President Doumer was sentenced by Mr. E. Hims-worth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning to six months' imprisonment with a further term of six months or a fine of \$2,500, for unlawful possession of opium in Canton Road last Saturday.

Revenue Officer Aherne said the defendant, Po Wing-sing, was being assisted by another Chinese in carrying a trunk in Canton Road on Saturday when they were stopped by Indian constable No. 740. Both Chinese bolted but defendant was caught. The trunk contained 720 taels of opium valued at \$2,100.

Defendant said he had been in his present employment for two days but it was found that he had been working there for nearly two years.

Car In Way

Summoned for causing an obstruction with his car in Castle Peak Road near Ruttonjee House, on July 30, J. J. Cameron, of the Green Island Cement Company, was fined \$5 when he appeared before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Defendant admitted the charge, but said it was impossible to get into the car park.

with each other. A report has been received by the Foreign Office saying that the negotiations in Moscow have been concluded.

A German Foreign Office spokesman said Herr Ribbentrop is flying to Moscow on Wednesday.

The announcement dumbfounded diplomatic circles here because the negotiations were kept absolutely secret.

Shares Fall On Peace Pact News

Before the newspapers were on the street this morning, financial circles had gathered the news that Herr von Ribbentrop was going to Moscow.

Result in London: War Loans made an unprecedented drop of £1. Hongkong Bank shares were quoted at 24 less in London, a drop of \$64 in local currency.

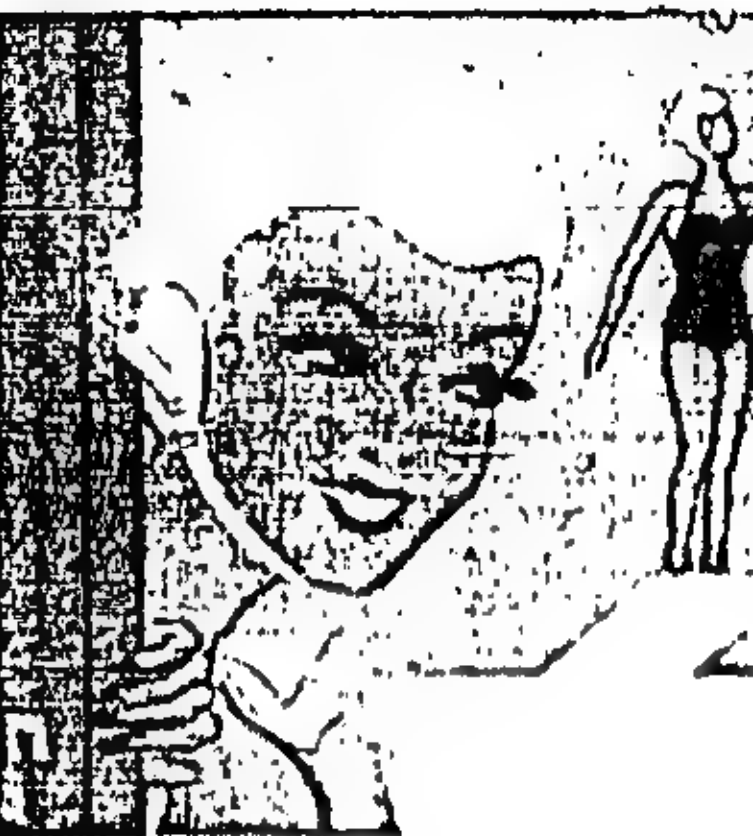
Relieve Tension Aim

MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The official "Tass" agency confirms that Herr von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, will arrive in a few days for negotiations for the conclusion of a non-aggression pact, and says that the exchange of views following the conclusion of the trade and credit agreement established in both parties a desire to "relieve the tension in their political relations, to eliminate the menace of war, and to conclude a non-aggression pact."

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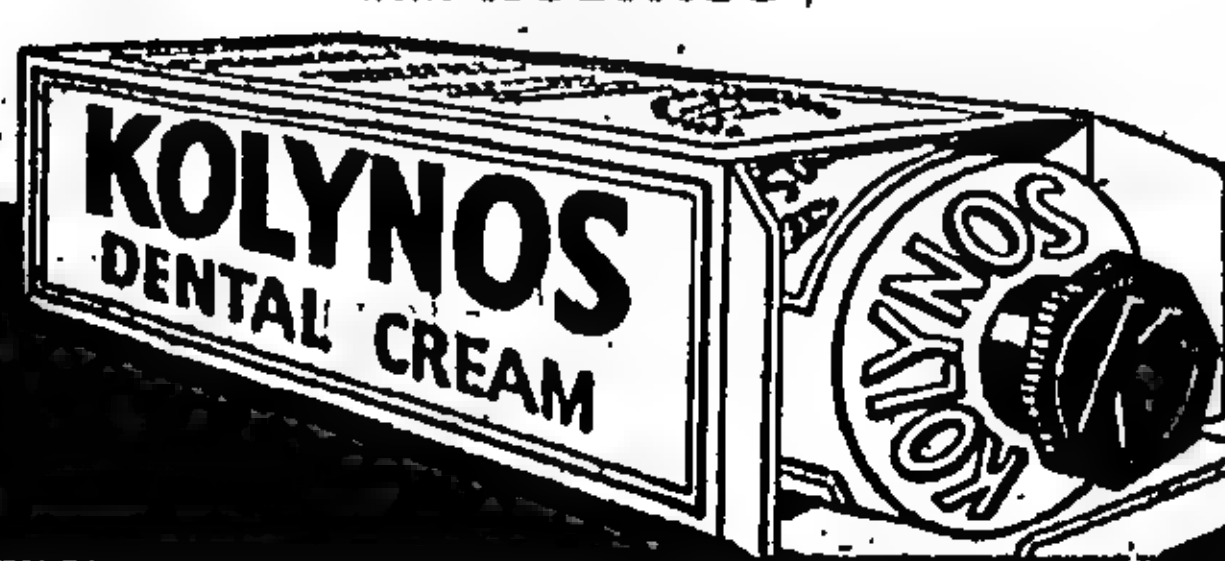
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CHINESE PRISONERS OF WAR

Story Of Fight In Internment Camp

Of the nine Chinese soldiers who appeared before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court on Saturday morning on a charge of disorderly conduct by fighting at the Ma Tau Chung Internment Camp on Saturday, seven were discharged, while two were convicted and sentenced to one week's imprisonment each.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2.19/32
Demand do.	1/2.10/32
T.T. Shanghai	3/5
T.T. Singapore	51 1/2
T.T. India	104
T.T. Japan	81 1/4
T.T. U.S.A.	20 1/2
T.T. Manila	57 1/2
T.T. Batavia	52 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	152 1/2
T.T. Saigon	106 1/2
T.T. France	107 3/4
T.T. Germany	70 3/4
T.T. Switzerland	125 1/4
T.T. Australia	170 3/4

BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/2.27/32
4 m/s D/P do.	1/2 1/2
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	20
4 m/s France	11 1/5
30 d/s India	82 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.68 1/2

Inspector H. E. Rogers said about 6.40 p.m. on Saturday sounds of fighting were heard from No. 4 hut and a Chinese sub-inspector saw two of the men fighting and had them arrested. The rest were arrested later on information.

Sub-inspector Wong Wing-yim said he went to the hut and saw a large crowd of internees fighting. He heard fifth and eighth defendants shout "Fight!" and "Strike him!" As he could not stop the fight, he sounded his police whistle, and ran to the police guard hut, where the riot and disorder alarm was sounded. He then telephoned the Kowloon City Police Station. The military and police had turned out by then and quelled the disturbance.

Mr. Himsforth then held a court-martial on the fifth and eighth defendants. The rest had no case to answer. Fifth defendant, So Hing, 41, said he was speaking to the camp representative about some work when he was struck, while Lau Shui, 36, eighth defendant, said he saw the fight, and tried to stop it.

Thrilling Story Of Detective's Robber Chase

A PISTOL duel between a wounded detective, and four armed robbers and the shooting and killing of a woman pedestrian were some of the special features detailed by Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor in opening the dramatic armed robbery trial, in which three men were arraigned before His Honour the Chief Justice Sir Atholl MacGregor at the Criminal Sessions to-day.

The defendants were Tsang Sang, 32, Lai Yau, 31, and Yau Sang, 32, and apart from other offences they were charged with robbing a goldsmith's shop at 449 Shanghai Street on May 30, of 76 gold finger rings, 76 gold bangles, 12 gold earrings and 21 other gold ornaments.

Yau Sang, pleaded guilty to the charge of robbery and possession of arms and ammunition, but the other two men pleaded not guilty to all the counts against them. They were further charged with intent to murder L/Sergeant Clifford Pope, and alternatively with shooting with intent to maim, disfigure or disable Sergeant Pope, or in order to resist lawful arrest. He was also charged with the possession of arms and ammunition, a manner pistol and 62 rounds of ammunition.

Lai Yau was additionally charged with possession of rounds of ammunition and an automatic pistol, an automatic pistol, 45 rounds of ammunition and an automatic pistol.

Yau Sang was charged with shooting with intent to murder police constable C.C.354, Ho Fook, and actively shooting with intent to maim, disfigure or disable C.C.354, or in order to resist lawful arrest. Yau Sang was charged with possession of 10 rounds of ammunition, and an automatic clip.

Three automatic pistols, a revolver, rounds of ammunition and some jewellery were some of the exhibits displayed in Court. Detective Inspector A. C. Carey called Mr. Prentis.

The jurors were: Francis Connolly (Foreman), Chan King, Chung King-sun, Yip Fui-sip, Tso Yin-kin, Leo Suen-ming and Lionel Bruce Chuey.

Mr. Prentis said: "The story of this case is that of a robbery which took place at the Wing Cheung Goldsmith's shop at 449 Shanghai Street on May 30. Five men took part in the robbery and after the robbery a long chase took place through the streets of Yau-mat and ending in the Homantin hills where three of the robbers were captured and part of the proceeds of the robbery were recovered.

"Shortly before noon on May 30 all the workmen of the shop were at their usual places with the exception of an apprentice, Leung Kai, who was sitting at the entrance of the shop. Another apprentice Leung Hui was at the back of the shop.

"A man in black clothing came into the shop and pointed a revolver at Leung Kai. He was told not to move, and almost immediately afterwards four other men came into the shop and three of them had revolvers or automatic pistols in their hands.

"One of the men stepped out into the street and fired a shot. The other three men with revolvers and one along the glass top. They then dipped their hands in, took some of the jewellery and put them into their pockets.

"This took about five minutes and after this they left."

Robbers Open Fire
Mr. Prentis then described how an employee of the shop Leung Wing went into Dundas Street through the backdoor blowing his police whistle. As the robbers turned into Dundas Street one of them turned 'around and fired two shots at Leung, and three other shots were discharged at him when the robbers reached Cheung Shui Street.

However, Leung continued the chase and was at Sai Yeung Choi Street when his cries of "robbers" attracted the attention of Detective Tang Kai who was escorting two women prisoners.

Referring to Tang, Mr. Prentis said: "He heard the cries of 'robbers' and saw five men coming towards him, and as they came towards him they noticed him. He was dressed in the ordinary black clothing of a detective and they were probably suspicious of him, because they drew their revolvers and pointed them at him."

"Don't shoot, I am not a detective" and the robbers then went on, followed by Tang and the man Leung.

Woman Killed
"When the detective was opposite No. 59 or No. 60 Argyle Street he challenged the robbers, and as they did not stop he opened fire. Two or three of the robbers then returned the detective's fire. He fired three shots and the robbers fired a matter of 10 or 12 shots, and during the exchange of shots the detective was hurt in the left arm. A passer-by who was in the line of fire was unfortunately killed. It is not known who fired the shot that killed her."

Mr. Prentis then said that with the assistance of another man, Tang re-loaded his revolver and continued the chase, which carried them on to the railway bridge in Argyle Street. Here, the detective fired three more shots but to no effect.

The robbers after arriving at the entrance of the road leading to the Diocesan Boys' School, broke up, two going up this road, and three making their way to Victory Avenue.

"At the corner there," said Mr. Prentis, "the detective gave up the chase as he was bleeding from his wound and feeling rather weak."

Other police officers took up the chase.

Proceeding.

Arrests Described
Mr. Prentis then went on to describe the arrest and second defendant's arrest in an enclosure at Homantin after they had escaped from being captured by Det-Sergeant Clifford Pope on a hill. Detective Inspector Carey and Det-Sergeant Pope entered the enclosure and the first defendant was seized by the Detective Sergeant. Second defendant was arrested by a detective stationed at the gate of the enclosure.

In evidence, Lung King, managing partner of the shop, said that he was in the shop when the five robbers entered. Four were armed and by breaking the glass counter they took jewellery, worth over \$2,000. At an identification parade held he could not identify any of the robbers. The jewellery produced in Court was the property of his establishment.

Leung Kai said that he was sitting outside the door of the shop when the first defendant entered and pointed a revolver at him. He ran to the back of the premises and later went with Leung Wing to Dundas Street where he saw five men running. Four of them had firearms. After an identification parade held on May 31, he identified the first defendant, who had pointed a gun at him.

Accused's Questions
First defendant then questioned Leung and asked "Have you any proof that you recognised me?" Leung replied: "I recognise you by the features of your face. I saw you when you were holding a gun and levelling it at me."

First defendant: "I am afraid that there must be some dirty work on the part of the Police to make this man identify me."

Leung Kai, respondent, said he saw the first defendant pointing a gun at Leung Kai. He identified, on May 31, the second defendant as one of the robbers holding a gun and who took articles from inside the glass counter. Leung Wing, an employee of the shop, testified to having followed the robbers from Dundas Street to Homantin where three of them took to the hills.

Leung said when the robbers were at the corner of Dundas Street two of them turned around and fired shots at him. Three other shots were directed at him when he followed the men up to Cheung Shui Street.

The robbers proceeded through Nathan Road, Soy street, Sai Yeung Choi Street to Argyle Street, and he followed them at a distance of 40 or 50 feet.

When the robbers were somewhere near No. 59, they exchanged revolver shots with a detective.

"I saw the detective being hit on the left arm and also a woman clapping her abdomen," said Leung. The robbers then passed under the railway bridge at Argyle Street and eventually split up. He later returned to 449 Shanghai Street and reported to the police officers there.

Detective's Evidence
Detective Tang Kai then testified and in the course of this he showed the Court his left arm where a bullet had gone through.

Tang said that he was in Sai Yeung Choi Street when he saw five men run past him and at the same time he heard shouts of "robbers". He turned to look at the men, and three of them pointed revolvers at him. He told them "I am not a policeman. Don't shoot," and they continued on their way.

Tang said he followed the robbers into Argyle Street and there he exchanged shots with them and was wounded on the left arm. He continued to pursue the robbers up to Homantin where he handed the chase over to other officers and returned to the Mongkok Police Station from where he was sent to hospital.

Det-Sergeant Pope said that he and Inspector Carey and others went from 449 Shanghai Street on May 30 to the Homantin hills where three of the robbers had been said to have ascended.

"We split up into two groups and I and Constable Ho Fook walked along the ridge of a hill for about 15 minutes. Suddenly I saw a hollow and I decided to go and look into it. I did so and on looking down I saw three Chinese men squatting down in the hollow. I jumped into the hollow and called upon them to remain still and seized hold of one of the three men.

Fired At Sergeant
"The other two men ran away and after running 10 or 12 paces, the first defendant suddenly turned around, produced a revolver, aimed it at me, and fired one round. Seeing this, I held the third Chinese man and attempted to use him as a shield to return fire. The other two men disappeared from my sight out of the hollow."

Det-Sergeant Pope said that when Detective Ho Fook arrived he handed over the arrested man and continued to pursue the other two. He saw them near a watercourse and again lost sight of them. He met Inspector Carey and together they entered a quarry, which was fenced, to renew the search. A detective was posted at the entrance of the quarry.

Telling of the part he played in

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

H.K. Banks	1,255 n.
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H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.)	2.71 n.
Chartered	6 1/2 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	24 n.
Mercantile, C. & L.	12 n.
East Asia	72 n.

INSURANCES

Canongs	200 n.
Union	380 n.
China Underwriters	1 n.
H.K. Fire	180 n.

SHIPPING

Douglases	67 n.
Steamboats	12 n.
Indo-Chinas, P.S.	60 n.
Indo-Chinas, D.S.	30 n.
Shell Beavers	80 1/2 n.
Waterboats	0.10 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves	103 1/2 n.
Docks	10 1/2 n.
Providents	4.15 n.
New Eng. Sh.	8 n.
Sh. Docks	110 n.

MINING

Kailan s/-	12 1/2 n.
Rauks	8.00 n.
Venz. Gold	4 n.
Hongkong Mines	4 n.

LANDS

Hotels	4.50 n.
Lands (x.d.)	32 1/2 n.
Land 4 1/2 de.	par b.
Shai Lands Sh.	7.00 n.
Humphreys	8 n.
H.K. Realties	4 n.
Chinese Estates	80 n.

UTILITIES

Trams (x.d.)	10 n.
Peak Trams (old)	7.40 n.
Peak Trams (new)	3.70 n.
Star Ferries	0.34 n.
Y. Ferries	7.00 n.
China Lights (old)	22 n.
China Lights (new)	4.80 n.
H.K. Electrics	54 1/4 n.
Macao Electrics	18 n.
Sundakan Lights	12 n.
Telephone (old)	22 n.
Telephones (new)	7.00 n.
Traction (old)	19 1/2 n.
Traction (new)	22 n.

INDUSTRIALS

Cald. Macg. (ord.)	Sh. 14 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pre.)	Sh. 13 n.
Canton Ice	1 n.
Cement	12.00 n.
H.K. Rope	3.70 n.

STORES & COTTON MILLS

Dairy Farms (old)	21 n.
Dairy Farms (new)	10 1/2 n.
Watsons	8 n.
Lane, Crawfords	7.50 n.
Sinceres	1.80 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	41 n.
Powell, L.	1 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh.	18.70 n.
Shai Cotton Sh.	120 n.
Zoong Sing Sh.	42 n.
Wing On Textiles Sh.	43 1/2 n.

H.K. Entertainments

Constructions (old)	1.55 n.
Constructions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	8 1/2 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	
G. Bonds	33 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 4 1/2% Loan	102 1/2 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	99 1/2 n.
Marsmans (Lon.) s/- (x.d.)	13 1/2 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) s/-	4 n.

I. R. A. Expulsions

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The Home Secretary, Sir Samuel Hoare, has now signed 113 orders under the Prevention of Violence Act, comprising 85 expulsion, eight prohibition and 20 registration orders.

The two latest orders, one for expulsion and the other for prohibition, both concern women.

The search of the quarry Det-Sergeant Pope said: Suddenly, in front of me I saw two legs protruding from behind a rock. I called out to Inspector Carey and at the same time I called to the hidden man to come out.

This he did, and he was the first defendant. In a small cleft of the rock where first defendant was hiding was a mauler pistol.

"I searched the first defendant and in his left lower jacket pocket I found 53 rounds of ammunition, a small gold ring and some price tags."

Det-Sergeant Pope said that when asked to do so the first defendant called out to his confederate to come out, and following this a commotion was heard as of someone trying to run away through the dense undergrowth. The second defendant was caught by the detective at the gate.

The case is proceeding.

DEMOCRACIES' SURPRISE AND DEEP DISMAY

(Continued from Page 1.)

many should never again fight a war on two fronts.

Even if he falls in this purpose it is felt that the mere announcement of negotiations with Russia is likely to serve a shattering blow to Poland.

Sensation In Warsaw

WARSAW, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—The news of the forthcoming signature of the German-Soviet non-aggression pact has created a sensation in the Polish Capital. The impression is all the stronger as consequence of the official hint of the Polish Press on Monday morning attempting to minimize the importance of the German-Soviet trade agreement although then already the apprehension was expressed by certain military quarters as to possible political consequences.

It is assumed that Government will meet early on Tuesday to review the situation created by the non-aggression pact which would have the effect of completely changing the political situation in Europe.

Gold Shares Break

MANILA, Aug. 22 (UP).—A sharp break featured this morning's gold share market due to the European developments.

Dumping by frightened traders forced the gold shares average down 2.90 in the close of the forenoon trading session.

Stock Exchange Weak

London, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Prices generally were marked down on the Stock Exchange as a precautionary measure in view of the international situation.

Selling pressure, however, was only small and a steadier tone was visible near the close.

International political considerations were mainly responsible for the increased buying of certain commodities including wheat and cotton.

The rise of 14d to 17 1/2d in the price of silver surprised the market and the only explanation offered was the fact that moderate buying found sellers extremely reserved.

Wall Street was lower.

Ambassador Returns

Warsaw, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—M. Lipski, the Polish Ambassador to Berlin, flew to Warsaw to-day to consult his Government.

Berlin Astonished

BERLIN, Aug. 22 (Reuter).—Berlin people rubbed their eyes twice when they read the announcement of the impending conclusion of a non-aggression pact with the Soviet Union in special editions during this morning.

Surprise at this sudden development of relations between Nazi Germany and Bolshevik Russia is undisputed.

The newspapers carry the announcement in the biggest possible type but so far without comment. The negotiations are being kept on exceedingly close secret and were presumably known only to a few high officials since there is not one Foreign Office spokesman who does not profess the "greatest surprise."

Foreign political circles regard the move as a tremendous success for Germany completely changing the political situation in Europe and perhaps being only the beginning of more important developments.

The effect on Germany's relations with Japan are awaited with great interest. It is thought that Japan would probably not be too pleased with the rapprochement between Berlin and Moscow as she no doubt counted on closer relations with the Nazis. Powers at the expense of Russia.

Snatcher To Be Caned

Six months' hard labour and 12 strokes of the cane was imposed on Ho Yau, 23, unemployed, by Mr. H. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning for the theft of a gold carrying from Chan Wan-ying, in Possession Street, on Friday. He was also recommended for banishment.



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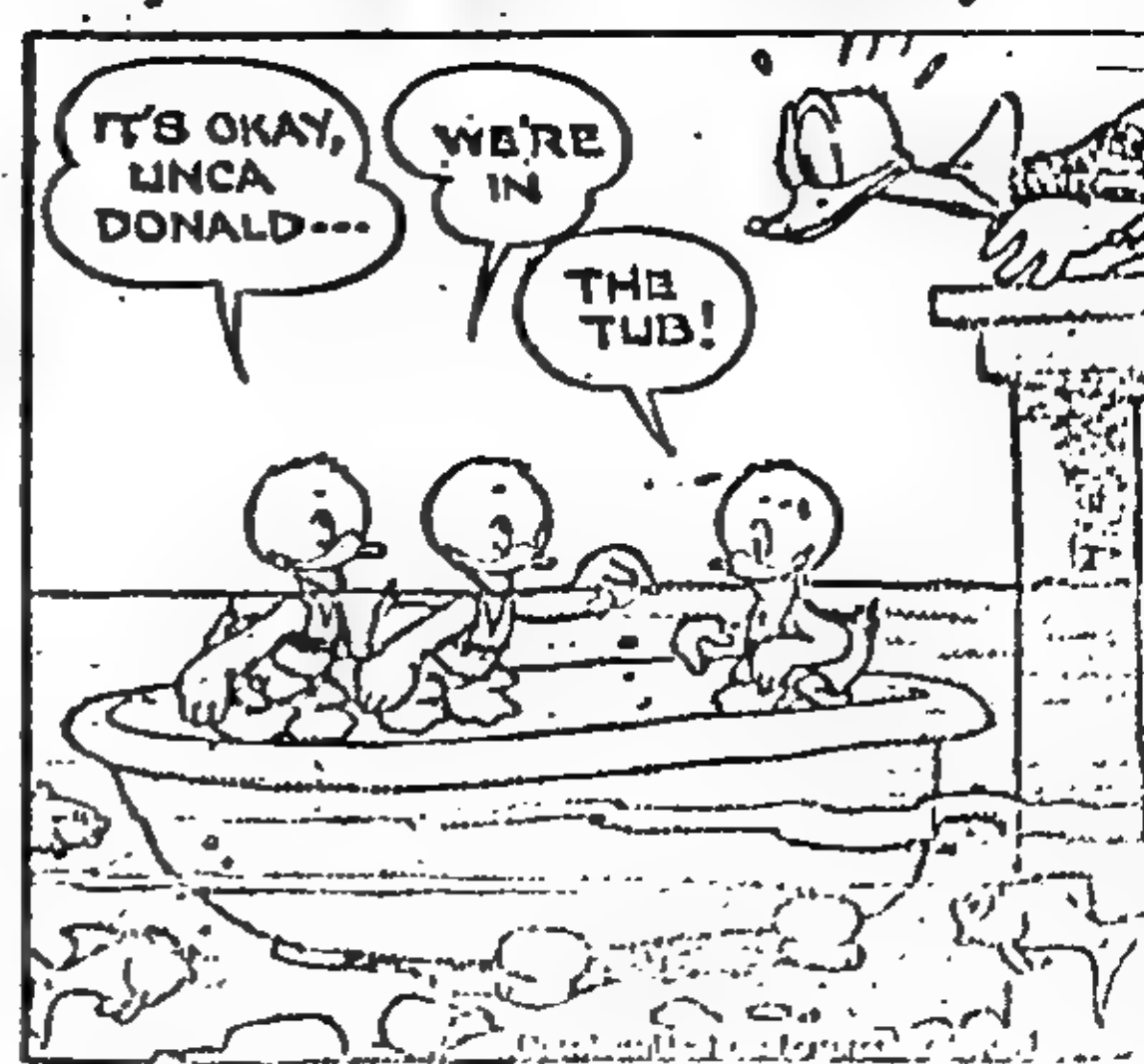
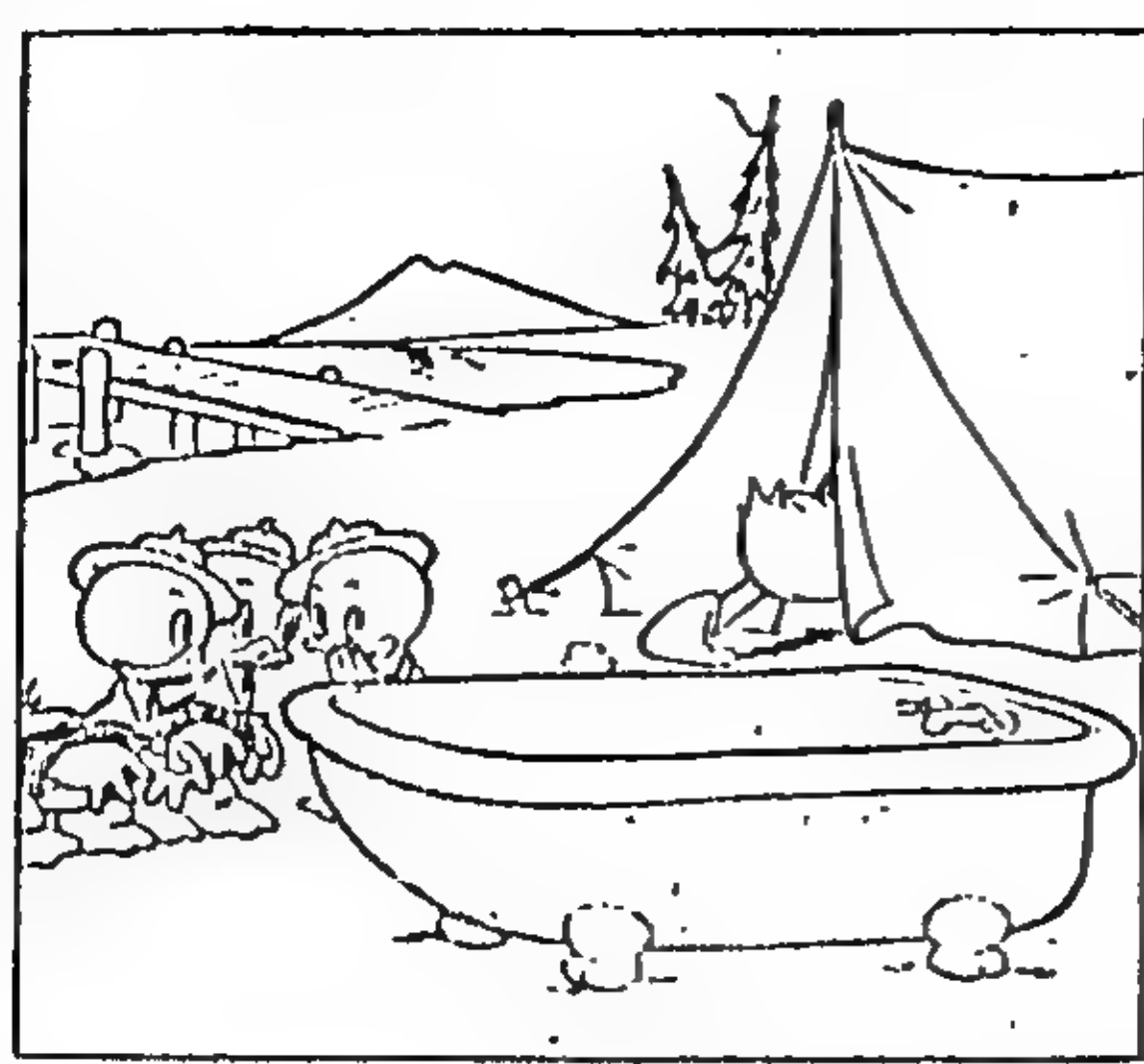
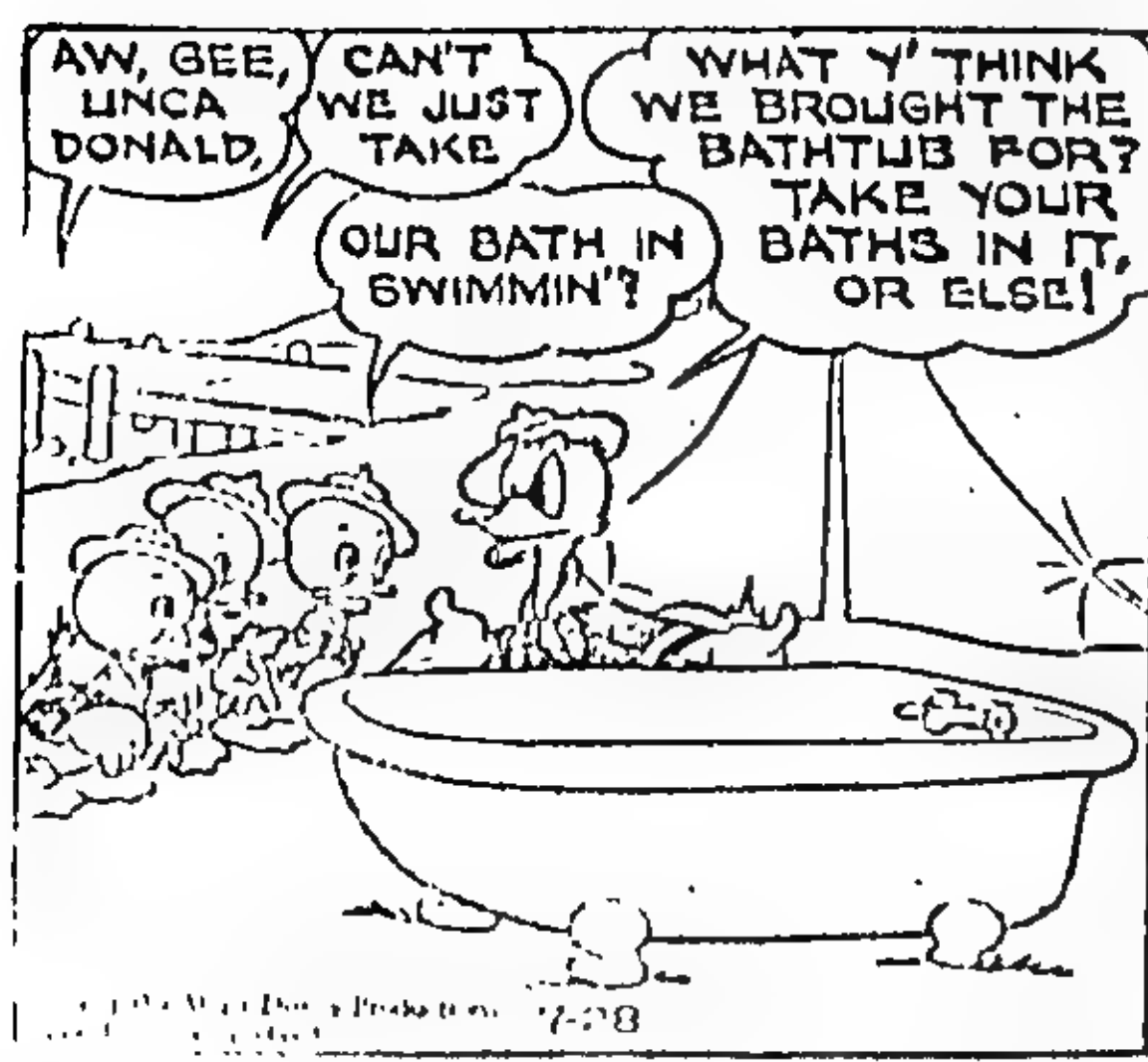
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Britain Calling Up Big Reserves In September

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, August 21 (UP).—Members of the British Cabinet to-day began preparations for to-morrow's special meeting amidst extraordinary defence preparations.

The Admiralty is expected to call up more Naval Reserves while the entire Territorial Army totalling more than 400,000 may be mobilised early in September.

This would mean that Britain's anti-aircraft defences would be fully manned and a complete expeditionary force of 32 divisions would be ready to embark for foreign service.

It is reported here that the Fifth of Firth has been ordered while the defence boom is visible to tourists arriving at Southampton and other ports.

Premier Without Umbrella

Meanwhile the British press is urging Britain to fulfil her treaty obligations in the event of German aggression.

Even the conservative "Times" says: "This country has given a specific pledge from which it will not and cannot recede."

Friends of Mr. Chamberlain believe that the Premier is still convinced of the fundamental soundness of appeasement.

Nevertheless he has openly expressed his disappointment in Hitler since the Munich Agreement.

It was noted that he did not carry his umbrella when he arrived in London to-day 24 hours ahead of his scheduled time.

Broker And Alleged Fraud

Charged with demanding the sum of \$300 from a married woman in Portland Street by means of a forged document on August 20, Tam Yim, 30-year-old broker, appeared before Mr. Q. A. A. Macdwyen at the Kowloon Magistrate's this morning.

Detective Sergeant J. Johnston asked for a remand of three days which was granted by the Magistrate.

First Aid Exam Results

An examination in first aid was held at the Kowloon Hospital on Thursday, August 21. The examiners were Drs. H. Tulbot, and J. E. Dovey, assisted by Mr. A. Steven.

The following candidates satisfied the examiners and will be awarded the St. John Ambulance Association Certificate in due course:—Miss E. Allen, Mrs. R. H. Andrews, Mrs. Z. Bodgards, Mrs. M. Bowden, Mrs. S. Buncroft, Miss A. Chan, Miss Julian Chua, Mrs. J. E. Chan, Sister Clement, Mrs. W. S. Geall, Miss Patricia Loeby, Sister Santa Marie, Sister Henrietta Marie, Sister Rose Olive, Mrs. Nora Passmore, Mrs. Carmen Pestonji, Mrs. W. H. Peters, Mrs. G. A. Shen, Mrs. C. P. Snowell, Mrs. Helen Thomson, Sister Rose Victor, Mrs. E. Wood, and Mrs. P. Wu.

Sequel To Attack On Woman

A sequel to the alleged attack on Mrs. Emily Wood of 4, Embankment Road in which she was robbed yesterday of money and valuables occurred in the Kowloon Magistrate's this morning when Chun Hoi, 28-year-old unemployed was charged with highway robbery with violence. It was alleged that Chun attacked Mrs. Wood and stole from her a gold wristlet watch, a fountain pen and \$73.88 in money. Inspector H. E. Rogers asked for a remand in custody of 72 hours, which was granted.

ALIVE TO DANGERS

Democracies Build Up Their Defences

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Aug. 21, (Reuter).—Dr. Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supply, declared to-day that the Democratic peoples were fully awake to the dangers that were threatening the world and they had determined at whatever cost to make good their defences.

Britain's defences had been brought to a very high pitch and in the Army, Navy and Air Force there was much to impress and much to give reason for solemn thought before the enemy should lightly allow conflict to break out.

Dr. Burgin was addressing the Canadian mission of industrialists which had been holding consultations for the past three weeks with Ministers and industrialists in connection with the production of munitions in Canada in the event of an emergency.

Mr. Vincent Massey, the Canadian High Commissioner, declared that no visitor to England could fail to be impressed by the spirit of quiet determination prevailing throughout the country.

Mr. Holt Gurney, leader of the Canadian delegation, said the visitors had been profoundly impressed by what they had seen of Britain's efforts. If a great crisis came, the manufacturing fabric of Canada would be useful to the Empire as a whole in scope and volume and, most important of all, in time.

Lightweight "Natural" Title Fight

New York, Aug. 21. Henry Armstrong, the negro lightweight and welterweight boxing champion of the world, who is accustomed to being a top-heavy favourite is only a 7-5 favourite for Tuesday's lightweight title fight with Lou Ambers, former holder of the title.

This is said to be the best lightweight "natural" since Benny Leonard fought Tendler in 1923.

The fight is expected to draw 35,000 "fans" and net in \$150,000 in view of the closeness of the first fight between the two men.

The uncertain condition of Armstrong's hands is encouraging Ambers' backers.—United Press.

French Cabinet Meeting

PARIS, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—A Ministerial Council presided over by President Lebrun and attended by the Premier, M. Daladier, and the Foreign Minister, M. C. Bonnet, will follow the meeting of the French Cabinet council to be held on Tuesday.

French Ministers will be informed of the latest developments in Europe and they are expected to pass a number of decrees which will be made valid if the position becomes worse.

VATICAN DIPLOMAT ACTIVE

Conferences With Il Duce And Ciano

ROME, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—While there is a lull in diplomatic calls at Rome to-day, great activity continues at the Foreign Office. There is no indication of what is afoot but it is believed that Signor B. Attolico, Ambassador to Germany, saw the Duce and Count Ciano, Foreign Minister, last night.

It is understood that Signor Attolico while at Munich, saw Herr von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister but did not see Herr Hitler.

The Vatican has denied rumours that a special Papal envoy has been sent to Warsaw and has stated that the Papal Nuncio in Warsaw is taking care of all Vatican diplomatic activity there.

Pope's Intentions

In Vatican circles it is stated that the Pope does not wish to suggest any concrete solution of the crisis but intends to remain aside from arguments which do not enter into the competence of his mission, but the Pope firmly desires to recall all men to their duty in saving humanity from the incalculable disaster of war. He appeals to the sense of responsibility of all who can influence the course of events.

All the sympathy and good wishes of the Vatican, it is stated, lie with a solution obtained at one or more peaceful meetings in which all interests, rights and aspirations in question, including of course, the general interest of humanity, are taken into account.

CURTAILED BASEBALL PROGRAMME

New York, Aug. 21. Only a curtailed programme of matches was played to-day in the Major Baseball League. The scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	4	7	0
New York	3	7	0
Battery—Cubs, French and Mancuso.			
St. Louis	1	8	2
Brooklyn	7	14	1
Cuniffi homered for the Dodgers. Battery—Dodgers, Hamlin and Todd.			
Cincinnati	7	9	0
Philadelphia	0	7	1
Battery—Reds, Niggeling and Herberger.—Reuter.			

Governor To Attend Bowls Finals

Arrangements for the Open Bowls Finals have been made by the Competition Sub-Committee as follows: Open Pairs at Kowloon F.C. on Sunday, September 3 at 3.30 p.m. Open Rinks at Civil Service C.C. on Sunday, September 10, at 3.30 p.m. Open Singles on a rink to be decided later on Wednesday, September 6. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, has notified his intention to be present at all three finals.

The game outstanding in the semi-finals of the Open Rinks will be played sometime this week between the rinks skipped by J.C. Brown and J.C.S. Fender.

Foreign Office Appointment

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—The Secretary for Foreign Affairs has appointed Sir Orme Sargent, an Assistant Under Secretary in the Foreign Office, to be a Deputy Under Secretary succeeding Sir Lancelot Oliphant.

A Look Through The Telegraph

50 YEARS AGO

August 21, 1889. Late advices from Saigon, where a numerous faction among the natives have long been in rebellion against the Spaniards, bear a peaceful aspect. The heir to the throne and his mother, who had been at the disposal of the disaffected, are reported to have unconditionally submitted to the Spanish Government.

The P. & O. Co's steamer Pekin ran ashore off the Garden Spit in going up the Shanghai river on the 13th inst., but got off without sustaining any damage.

An American inventor has just patented an artificial lung, capable of restoring life in persons apparently drowned. As yet no experiments have been made upon human subjects, but the professor has drowned a favourite pet rabbit 11 times, and suffocated it with the fumes of burning charcoal, yet the animal got well and happy.

25 YEARS AGO

August 21, 1914. Brussels despatches confirm the advance of the Belgian and French cavalry into the German rear. The French cavalry have been covering a hundred kilometres daily.

It is officially stated that the Austrians have been approaching the Gorodok-Kuzmin line, and a cavalry engagement ensued, lasting for five hours.

The Russians inflicted heavy losses on the enemy, who retired, being pursued by the Russian cavalry.

The Austrians participating numbered 80,000.

It is officially announced that all the Liege forts are intact.

In the sinking of the Austrian cruiser, by the French, 201 perished and 101 were saved.

A message from Brussels states that a fierce battle is proceeding between the Belgians and Germans along an extended front.

Telegrams from Rome say that the unrest in Russia and Herzegovina is assuming the character of a formidable rising.

Greek and Turkish statesmen are proceeding to Bukharest for a general discussion of the situation.

The Germans, when making another attempt to cross the Meuse, near Dinant, were repulsed by French artillery with considerable loss.

His Majesty the Duke of Connaught, in the speech from the Throne convening the Canadian Parliament, emphasized the duty of every province. The same spirit, he said, inspired the whole Empire and this united action to repel a common danger.

It is the first binding of the Dominions.

The arrival of the Czar at Moscow was heralded by the ringing of bells.

The Imperial carriage passed slowly through the thronged streets, and the clergy of every church came out carrying banners and banners. The public enthusiasm was immense.

It is officially announced in Belgium that it appears that every raid on Brussels has been finally beaten off.

The German movement in North Belgium was apparently a feint.

10 YEARS AGO

August 21, 1929. Intensive fighting on a much graver scale than the fighting between the rival Sino-Soviet forces in Manchuria, according to official despatches from Mukden and Harbin. The fighting grows daily in intensity and it is becoming a moot point whether Russia is not waging war without a formal declaration.

Over a thousand Russian troops attacked the city of Chalanor, engaging the Chinese troops for six hours at a street. The Chinese casualties list is not complete, but it is stated that at least one hundred were killed. Villages have been looted and burned in Soviet raids across the Amur River, while another serious conflict is reported from Tungninghsien where fierce fighting took place, the city, which was looted by the Russians, being taken and retaken several times before the Soviet invaders were forced to retire with heavy losses.

Nanking is preparing to add considerably to the number of troops engaged in the defence of Manchuria.

5 YEARS AGO

August 21, 1934. Double as many people dared to say "No" in the Hitler plebiscite yesterday as voted against the Nazis in the Reichstag election last November. Hitler, however, secured an overwhelming victory with nearly ninety per cent. of valid votes cast, giving an affirmative of Hitler's policy.

The result is, however, viewed as the first step towards the ascent of power, although it would be erroneous to deduce that an organized opposition has arisen. The large number voting against Hitler (4,200 and about 800,000 invalid) are regarded as only going to prove a certain disagreement with Nazi policy, which 8,000,000 dared to express. "No" or spelling their papers, despite a threat that a negative vote would "place them outside the nation."

The English Channel has been conquered twice on the same day, by the English swimmer E. H. Temme and by Usman Faber, an Austrian.

Temme landed at Cap Gris Nez to-night, after swimming the Channel in 15 hours and 54 minutes. This is a record for a swim starting from the

Tientsin Floods

Trade Is Brought To Standstill

Refugees Pack All Peiping Trains

PEIPING, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The trade of North China has been brought virtually to a standstill as a result of the disastrous Tientsin floods which have caused a drop in the local exchange value of the Chinese National dollar from 4d. to below 3d.

The railway service has been upstaged: trains arriving were crowded with Chinese refugees fleeing from the floods. Many slept last night on the platform of the Tientsin railway station.

Railway Threatened

Travellers report much flood water on either side of the Peiping-Tientsin section of the railway. If the rains continue, the disruption of the Peiping-Tientsin railway traffic is probable.

Tientsin's Plight

TIENSIN, Aug. 22 (Domel).—With the entire city of Tientsin including the Chinese quarter, the British, French, Italian and Japanese Concessions under water from four to 10 feet deep, the flood disaster threatens to assume ominous proportions, as it is reported that the waters will not recede for three months.

The Japanese Concession has been inundated, except for the Yamaguchi Street on right bank of the Peiho River. All Japanese residents have taken refuge in the First and Second elementary schools.

Weird scenes were presented last night as huge fires started at four places in the Chinese quarters of the Japanese and French Concessions. Flames reflecting the swirling waters shot up into the night sky. The fires raged until this morning.

The flood waters rushed the city so suddenly that motor-cars and other vehicles are abandoned and left submerged in the streets.

Japanese troops are still carrying on their task of searching and examining, while they are also engaged in controlling of water traffic and relief work.

Although it is predicted that the flood waters will not subside for three months, Japanese and Chinese authorities expect to drain off the water within six weeks.

Situation Improves

TIENSIN, Aug. 22 (Reuter).—The flood situation has improved slightly.

After rising six and a half feet last night, the waters receded this morning to between two and three feet in the Concessions but communications and trade remain at a standstill.

Daladier To See British Manoeuvres

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—It is learned that M. Daladier, the French Premier, has accepted the invitation of Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, British Minister for War, to attend the peak period of the British Army manoeuvres from September 17 to September 21.

Japanese Arrested In Los Angeles

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The United States Treasury have announced the arrest of two Japanese residents of Los Angeles for the attempted export of pistols and ammunition to the Japanese naval attaché in Shanghai in violation of the Neutrality Law, requiring exporters to obtain a licence before sending munitions out of the country.

English side of the Channel, and the fourth time that the Channel has been swum in this direction.

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1.00 Time and Weather.

1.03 Reginald Dixon at the Organ.

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1.15 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

1.30 Dance Music.

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6.57 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.00 A Concert by Jessica Dragonette (Soprano) and the Boston Promenade Orchestra.

Polonaise Militaire in A Major (Chopin, Orchestra: by Gluzonov); Waltz from "The Sleeping Beauty" (Ballet (Schubert); Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fielder; Se Tu M'ami (Per-golesi)... Jessica Dragonette (Soprano) with the Renaissance Quartet; Entry of the Boys—March (Halvorsen) and Jealousy—Tango Tzigane (Gade), Boston Promenade Orchestra; Through the Doorway of Dreams (Whiting) and Alice Blue Gown (Tiemer)... Jessica Dragonette (Soprano); March of the Little Leaden Soldiers (Pierne)... Boston Promenade Orchestra.

7.30 Half an Hour of Dance Music. Angels with Dirty Faces (Fisher)—Fox-Trot and Between a Kiss and a Sigh (Johnson)—Fox-Trot. Tommy Dorsey and his Orchestra; Romping (Mezzrow)—Swing Fox-Trot and Who (Kern)—Swing Fox-Trot.... Frankie Newton and Orchestra; Muziky, Muziky—Novelty and Beer Barrel Polka (Timm)... The Plehel Brothers (Harmonica Duet, with Guller and Bass Accy); Non-Stop Flight—Fox-Trot (Shaw) and Press Chai (Chaplin)—Fox-Trot.... Artie Shaw and his Orchestra; Rose of Washington Square—Fox-Trot (Hanley) and And the Angels Sing—Fox-Trot (Elman)... Benny Goodman and his Orchestra.

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Liszt—Les Preludes—Symphonic Poem. The London Symphony played by Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates.

8.20 London—The Third Cricket Test Match—England v. The West Indies.

A commentary during play and a summary of the morning's play by Howard Marshall from Kennington Oval, London.

8.35 Studio—A Recital by Elvie Yuen (Soprano) with the Very Revd. Gather A. Rignati at the Piano.

Aprile (Tosti), Ave Maria (Tosti), and Pent (Tosti)... Elvie Yuen (Soprano); Allegro Moderato (Schubert), Canzone (Heller), and Capriccio (Heller)... The Very Revd. Father A. Rignati (Piano); Trees (Rasbach), All Souls Day (Strauss), and Invidius Iuhni... Elvie Yuen (Soprano).

8.05 Ballet Suite—"Les Patineurs" (Meyerbeer).

The Sadlers by Wells Orchestra conducted by Constant Lambert.

9.15 London—The News.

9.30 London—"Food For Thought." Short Talks on Matters of Topical Interest.

9.45 London—Sports News and Market Notes.

9.50 Leslie Hutchinson at the Piano.

Back to These Happy Days (Nichols); Maybe I'm Wrong Again (Bennett); Love Is Everywhere (Film); Look Up and Laugh (Davies).

10.00 London—The Third Cricket Test Match—England v. The West Indies.

A commentary during play by Howard Marshall from Kennington Oval, London.

10.15 B.B.C. Recording—"Playing The Game."

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11.00 Close Down.

Interned Soldiers In Court

Nine interned Chinese soldiers appeared in the Kowloon court this morning charged with disorderly conduct by fighting in the Malachuk internment camp on Saturday last. They all pleaded not guilty and the case will be heard later this morning. One defendant, Chang Po, appeared in the dock with his head bandaged. Police state that fighting broke out in the camp about 9 o'clock on Saturday night.

Alleged Polish Atrocities

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Almost the entire news section of German newspapers is taken up by reports of Polish atrocities against Germans in Poland and reports that the Poles are constructing defence works along various sectors of the frontier.

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Commendable Sense Of Perspective

THAT the situation on the
border is disturbing nobody
will deny. We ourselves, follow-
ing a well-established policy of
giving the public vital and im-
perceptible data, have published
during the past week factual
reports from the frontier which
could not but help give serious
food for thought. Happily the
Hongkong public is not given to
startling emotional reactions to
events of this nature, and this
excellent sense of perspective
must be of considerable
encouragement to the Colony's
authorities.

Neither is there any reason to
believe that the public is luring
itself into any false sense of
security by this display of
equanimity. While it is gener-
ally recognised that the activi-
ties on the other side of the
border are disconcerting, it is
also believed that they hold out
no immediate threat to Hong-
kong. It is obvious, with com-
munication between Hongkong
and the Chinese hinterland more
or less completely cut off, that
in certain respects the Colony
must be affected. There is
already being experienced a
shortage of certain vegetables,
though fortunately of only a very
small variety, but even this
position, it is felt, is not likely
to remain permanent. While
the Government has made no
official statement on the border
situation, it is felt to be quietly
confident that Hongkong's posi-
tion will remain virtually un-
affected.

In these times of duress—the
effects of which are visible the
world over—speculations are
rife, and rumour a lying jade
which should be eschewed at all
costs. Thus it is well to pro-
nounce here and now that there
is not the slightest evidence that

If there were another blockade

BY COMMANDER RUSSELL GRENFELL
(Author of authoritative books on naval strategy and warfare.)

ECONOMIC blockade is one
of the most important
ways in which naval power
is manifested.

Not that it is confined to
navies, as is sometimes stated.
Quite the contrary.

An army spread out along an
enemy's frontier can, and does,
exercise a far more complete
blockade over that frontier than
is possible at sea, where it is very
difficult to prevent an occasional
cargo slipping through.

What makes the naval blockade
so important is the large volume
of international trade that is car-
ried by ships.

The crippling effect of the Brit-
ish naval blockade of Germany in
the last war is well-known. A pro-
gressive shortage of food gradually
demoralised the German people,
especially the civil population, who
bore the brunt of it.

★ THE German war effort
was also gravely ham-
pered by the increasing
scarcity of many essential com-
modities, such as copper, nickel,
cotton, rubber, in spite of the
melting down of church bells, door
handles, and stair rods, the re-
placement of the nickel coinage by
iron, and the removal of rubber
from bicycle tyres, billiard tables,
and even babies' bottles.

The Germans, of course, did
their best to return the com-
pensation, chiefly by means of their
submarines. For a time they
made things very unpleasant for
us, but in the end we managed to
defeat their submarine campaign,
and thus secured the maintenance
of our own supplies.

We did so by a variety of
measures, among which food
rationing, the intensive construc-
tion of merchant ships, and offen-
sive action against the enemy
submarines by destroyers, sloops,
trawlers, drifters, submarines,
decoy ships, and motor-boats, with
the aid of aircraft, aeroplanes, and
even sea lions and seagulls, all
played a part.

★ THE most important
counteraction of all
was the introduction
of convoy, enabling merchant
shipping to be more easily pro-
tected and hostile submarines
more effectively attacked. If
only we had taken steps to or-
ganise a convoy system earlier in
the war, we should not have
suffered so close a shave.

Thus there was blockade, and
successful blockade, of Germany by
us; and counter-blockade, though
ultimately unsuccessful, of us by
Germany. How would we stand in
these matters now, if war with
Germany were again to come?

On the offensive side, our naval
control of seaborne commerce
destined for Germany, remarkably
effective last time, should be ren-
dered even tighter by the great
scouting facilities which modern
aircraft can provide.

On the political side, however,
the extensive substitution of oil for

coal as a marine fuel, will have
lessened our power to exercise the
bunker control which proved so
valuable in 1914-18.

On balance, however, I estimate
that our ability to intercept sup-
plies for Germany will be as effec-
tious as before, while the ex-
perience we gained on the last
occasion should enable us to apply
the economic pressure much more
quickly.

Whether Germany is as much
subject to the effects of that pres-
sure is another matter. The British
naval blockade of the last war
stamped its imprint deep on
German minds; and of late years
Germany's whole economy has
been refashioned to reduce her
dependence on over-seas supplies.

It would be idle to deny that she
has been largely successful in
doing so. In particular, her pro-
portion of home-grown food is
much higher than in 1914.

Yet there are certain commodi-
ties, among which are rubber, cot-
ton, hemp, wool, and vegetable
oils, for which she is largely de-
pendent on overseas shipments,
though storage has probably been
arranged in these cases.

The petroleum situation is un-
certain. Coal distillation and the
use of petroleum gas have reduced
Germany's overseas requirements,
and access to Rumanian oilfields
would reduce them still more.

★ IT is very doubtful,
however, whether the
enormous quantities
of petrol and other liquid fuel she
would require in war could all be
obtained from European sources.

Germany has undoubtedly im-
proved her economic strategical
position, and could therefore last
out longer against a hostile
blockade. But, given time, it
would bring her down as surely as
before.

It is important to note, more-
over, that Germany's partner,
Italy, is extremely vulnerable to
naval blockade. No less than 80 per
cent. of her supplies are brought
in by sea, 70 per cent. coming
through either the Straits of Gib-
ralter or the Suez Canal. Italy
could therefore be subjected im-
mediately to very severe economic
pressure, which must take effect in
a comparatively short time.

Then we come to the defensive
side of the case. If Germany has
rendered herself less susceptible to
naval blockade, does the same ap-
ply to us? So far as blockade is
carried out by naval vessels, the
answer is that we, too, are more
immune.

★ THE chief menace to the
late war came from
the submarine. Since
then, we have perfected an echo-
detecting device which overcomes
our chief previous difficulty in
dealing with underwater vessels;
namely, the lack of knowledge of
their position when submerged.

We can now locate a submarine
that we cannot see, and are there-
fore in a position to deal effectively
with it. Sea-borne commerce, how-
ever, can now be attacked by

aircraft as well as ships; and our
position in regard to aerial
blockade is much more ques-
tionable. There is a clear possi-
bility that the air threat against
our sea communications may be
very serious.

For instance, if air attack can
either smash up the London Docks
or bring the work there to a
standstill, the effect will be the
same as if an impenetrable naval
blockade line were stretched
across the mouth of the Thames.

Our obvious counter to this ad-
verse contingency is to take our
shipping away from the Channel
and the North Sea and bring it in
to the western ports at Plymouth,
Falmouth, Milford, Avonmouth,
Cardiff, Liverpool and the Clyde.

But even the western ports are
not outside bombing range, and
no one can yet tell for certain to
what extent air attack could inter-
fere with the safe arrival of our
vital supplies.

★ THIS feeling of uncer-
tainty, amplified as it
is by the know-
ledge that the volume of our
shipping has seriously declined
since 1918, is at the root of the
current demands for storage, de-
mands which reach as high as a
year's supply.

The objection to storage on any
extensive scale is that it costs a
great deal. I calculate that it would
cost £24,000,000 a year to buy
up a year's basic food supply. This
is a lot of money, and there would
be the danger of the food rotting
bad, being eaten by rats, or other-
wise contaminated.

Over and above this, it seems
preferable to put any available
money into more aircraft or anti-
aircraft guns, with a view to en-
suring that enemy aircraft do not
come to bomb the ports and mer-
chant shipping, or that they get
shot down if they do. The finan-
cial equivalent to a year's storage
would be about 800 first-line air-
craft.

Naval history shows that, in so
warfare, the only sure way of de-
feating a hostile blockade is to
outfight the blockaders, not to ex-
tenuate them. It will be surpris-
ing if the same principle is not
found to hold good in the air.

PIED PIPER UP-TO-DATE

HE wears no yellow and red
tunic and carries no magic
flute, but the twinkle in his eyes
would put Hamelin's piper to
shame. Although the rats are
indifferent to his appeal, the
children and him irresistible,
and the news of his arrival
flashes from one to another.

Soon a little regiment is at his
heel, and, sure in the knowledge
of his conquering power, he
swaggering ahead, limp, neck
slung over his shoulder and a
large, well-worn satchel in his
hand. His band of admirers
are eager for him to stop, but
he selects his stance unhurried-
ly.

At last he flings the sack to
the ground, opens the case and
draws a trumpet from its depths.
This is the moment his audience
have been waiting for, and eyes
and mouths widen as he raises
the trumpet to his lips. Three
blasts echo through the neigh-
bourhood, and an avalanche of
children pour from the houses
and struggle for a foremost posi-
tion.

When the excitement has reached
its utmost pitch, he dramatically
pulls off the covering of the suit-
case and displays what to these
childish eyes must be an amazing
collection of wonders. There are
dolls, engines, pistols, masks, drums,
boats, Indian head-dresses, cloaks
of red, green, blue, and yellow.
Then a lucky one appears.
Triumphantly he hands over his
offering of rats, which are examined
with nerve-racking deliberation.
When, after an age of suspense, an
engine is taken from the case, the
delighted youngsters are mobbed by
ravenous companions. Flare and more
rats are crammed into the sack. A
little girl solemnly presents a beer
bottle, which is critically held to the
sun and sniffed, before being accept-
ed and deposited among the other
contributions. The time is a facer-
haired doll changes hands.

Business is over for the day. He
picks up his case and, to a chorus of re-
proaches, "Oh, s," gets the now
bulging sack on his shoulder again,
and waves through a reluctantly
formed gangway. Right to the end
of the street the more persistent and
honest children follow him.
It is soon out of sight, but if you
listen very intently you may hear, in
the distance, three faint trumpet
calls.

J. M. S.

LESSONS OF THE 'ROYAL' BY JOHN SUSSEX

SPEAKING of the Royal
Centenary Show held in
Windsor Great Park
—that was a good show,

that was.

Maybe it was not so good an
affair as might have been—
there was a good deal too much
snobbery at the top end of it.

Landed gentry and their women-
folk assumed agricultural roles for
which many of them are not
qualified. The genuine article
either got pushed well into the
background or was exhibited as a
bit of picturesque rusticity.

Yet in spite of what there was of
this, the rural wealth of Britain is still
so great and so well preserved that
the show itself was abundantly sup-
plied with authentic material.

More could be made of it than was.

The fact that it came as such a shock

to visitors from overseas especially,
to find such a high quality of farm
livestock in the rings is proof of this.
They never knew this country had so
definite an agricultural background.

And this country, only the size of
the State of Illinois in the U.S.A., still
has it in most of the other breeds.
It might be as well for all of us if
agriculture was provided with a propa-
ganda section in the offices of the
British Council, the body charged with
making known this country's attri-
butes abroad.

More than 100,000 visitors to this
centenary show have seen something
of it for themselves. And millions
more must have gathered as much
from what was conveyed to them
through the Press and over the radio.
When this nation comes really to
make up its mind that it means to
make most of its farming potential-
ities, it will find that it has an asset
which can be doubled in volume and
value within a decade.

Farmers in Britain will have no need
to blent for the moment, but it is
more powerfully linked up with the com-
plementary fact of an industrial popu-
lation positively languishing for fresh
foodstuffs, on their very doorsteps.
Then there were the sections deal-
ing with various aspects of past and
present rural life itself. What kind of
a countryside do we possess in which
to nurture human social and mental
satisfactions? This all-electric farm-
stead was presented as a dream. The
farm-worker's cottage was exhibited as
a model. Both are attainable, and
much else that they stand for. Yet
for no substantial reasons all we feel
do little to make them commonplace.

★ ★ ★
There were corners that were more
encouraging. When urban schools
take to playing country music, weav-
ing wool and learning the names of
trees and birds, there cannot be
much need to worry about putting a
rural bias into country-school curri-
culums. The drift is setting in the
other way. Fit the villages and coun-
try towns with civilized standards of
amenities and we should soon fill up
our empty spaces.

What about the young among the
country people themselves? Was there
anything wrong about the enthusiasm
of those who took part in the cattle
judging competitions? And were the
dairymaids who patted the butter and
made the cream cheeses in the old-
time farmhouse kitchens any less
conscientious than those of whom tradition
has boasted and boasted?

I couldn't imagine so. When a Uni-
versity like Reading fills up its acres
with a type of farming from both sides
as seen on the farming life as ever
has been, then what is there to worry
about?

If the "Royal" at Windsor had re-
captured the spirit which caught up its
predecessor at Ipswich a few years
since, it would have been an unsurpass-
able "centenary." It just lacked the
touch of the man straight from the
plough. Titles are no substitute for
type.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I'm hardly ever bothered with lost balls—I usually play
somebody else's."

Extortion Charge Against Chinese In Cleveland

CLEVELAND, Aug. 21 (UP).—The police here have entered a charge of extortion against a Chinese named Yee Chow aged 52, who is the fifth Chinese to be jailed in connection with the reports of Chinese being tortured for not contributing to War Relief funds.

Yee Chow is the accused who allegedly beat a Chinese called Fong Gong from whom he took \$1.32. Three other Chinese are sought in this connection, while awaiting trial are Cornelia Nellie Quill Se To-check, Fong Goo-hung and Chin Kwok-man.

Japan-India Trade

TALKS TO COMMENCE SHORTLY

TOKYO, Aug. 22 (Domei).—With the second Japanese-Indian trade agreement expiring at the end of March, next year, negotiations for the conclusion of a third trade agreement between Japan and India will be started at Simla at the end of this month. It was learned here today.

The Japanese Government has informed the Government of India that Mr. Tama Wakamatsu, Japanese Consul-General at Calcutta, will head the Japanese delegation at the forthcoming negotiations, while the Government of India has announced that Mr. H. D. Dwyer, Commercial Secretary, will represent India at the talks.

Two civilian advisers to the Japanese official delegation have been appointed. They include Mr. Kyushichi Toyoshima, representative of the Federation of Japan Cotton Yarn and Textile Exporters, and Mr. Kishichiro Aiba, representative of the Japan Cotton Spinner Federation.

Changes In Salvation Army Hinted

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The High Council of the Salvation Army, which is in conference at Clapton to appoint a successor to the retiring leader, General Evangeline Booth, has passed a resolution "expressing the desire that no changes in the legal constitution of the Army should be promoted by the General elected without the fullest possible consideration of an consultation with the Commissioners."

The resolution is interpreted as a formal expression of a strong and growing feeling among the leaders that they should have a greater voice in the control and destiny of the movement.

The resolution possibly indicates that the views of Commissioner Lamb and his supporters who favour a system of government by a "cabinet" presided over by the supreme head, are prevailing with his colleagues.

Spain Prepares For Emergency

LONDON, Aug. 22 (UP).—The "Exchange Telegraph" correspondent at Lisbon has reported from Madrid that the Ministers of War and Aviation have been instructed to organize the Army as rapidly as possible to be in readiness for any emergency.

Chinese Successes Reported

SEVERAL STRATEGIC CITIES CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN RETAKEN

LOYANG, Aug. 22 (Central).—Ending ten days' relentless counter-attacks, Chinese forces penetrated into Tsincheng in southeast Shansi, and re-occupied it on Sunday morning, according to an urgent military report from the front.

The Chinese also regained Tientsinkwan and Tsinlingpo, on the Shansi-Honan border.

The Japanese, suffering serious losses, retreated in a northerly direction. Isolated Japanese units within 10 miles south of Tsincheng have been rounded up.

The Chinese counter-offensive on Tsincheng commenced on August 10 following sweeping successes along the Yicheng-Tsinhsui highway and near Yancheng. On the night of August 10 the drive was intensified. Following a night-long fierce engagement, the Japanese were weakened and finally dislodged from their positions. They suffered some 600 casualties, and lost large quantities of military supplies.

The Chinese re-occupation of Tsincheng has shattered the Japanese scheme to control southeast Shansi. The town, strategically located at the terminus of both the Pailin and

FOREIGN TROOPS MOBILISED TO PREVENT LOOTING

Precautions Taken In Tientsin: Shortage Of Food, Epidemics Feared

TIENTSIN, Aug. 21 (UP).—Foreign troops and the Volunteers Corps have been mobilised here to prevent looting.

The entire city is under one to nine feet of water. The British and Japanese concessions are the hardest hit where the authorities fear a food shortage and an outbreak of epidemics due to the filthy water and extreme heat.

The Japanese have lifted the blockade of the British Concession except at the International Bridge.

No Electric Supply

CHUNGKING, Aug. 22 (Central).—As a result of the flooding of the power plant, electric supply in the British Concession in Tientsin was cut off yesterday, states a Tientsin dispatch.

The British Concession authorities are making arrangements with the electric works in the French Concession for the supply of electricity to the British Concession temporarily.

Over 50,000 Chinese flood refugees from the suburban districts have poured into Tientsin. The more well-to-do farmers came by ox-cart and mule-cart, bringing their movable belongings, while a large number of others came by boats and sampans.

Owing to the Japanese sentries' permission to the farmers to pass through the barricades, with their cattle, the southern district of the British Concession looks now like a ranch. More than 500 cows have been counted. The supply of milk has consequently been increased. But there is a dire shortage of grass to feed the cattle.

It is learned that the British Concession authorities are contemplating the enforcement of martial law to prevent disturbances in view of the huge influx of refugees.

Appeal For Funds

Meanwhile, they have cabled a message to the Lord Mayor of London appealing for funds to relieve the refugees.

Mud walls have been built around the Japanese sentry posts as a protection against the flood. Several electrified barbed-wire entanglements on the borders of the British and French Concessions are submerged. The Chinese populace hope that the Japanese will stop the electric currents to minimize danger.

Mud walls are being constructed at various points in the French Concession while Japanese engineers are also strengthening flood precautions in the Japanese Concession.

Kiangsu Precautions

The Kiangsu Provincial Government is tightening precautions against a flood disaster in north Kiangsu, says "Central News."

With the rise in the Yellow River and the Hwai River, the Chi River and the Grand Canal there is danger of a convergence of the flood waters in that part of the province.

Repair of the main dyke along the Grand Canal and dredging of the channels leading to the sea are both being rushed. Subsidies for the engineering projects amounting to \$300,000 are being sought for from the National Government.

Of the six principal outlets in north Kiangsu to the sea Sheyang Harbour is occupied by the Japanese. Dredging of the Toulung Harbour was completed early this year while Chuanchien Harbour is still in good condition. Dredging work has to be done in Hsiyang Harbour, Wang Harbour and Chu Harbour.

LETTERS

Farm Produce Prices

The Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—In a spirit more of curiosity than of criticism I proceeded on one of my regular purchasing tours of the retail market at Reclamation Street, Yau-mat, on Saturday afternoon.

The report that a decided shortage of vegetables was making itself already felt and that prices had risen sharply in consequence prompted an inquisitive mind to verify facts. Here is the result of a brief investigation; if it should serve no other purpose it will at least tend to relieve the disturbed minds of economical housewives with the comforting thought that they, and their dear babies and kiddies, need not have to go without the ample supplies to which our citizens have been so cheaply accustomed—or shall I say indulgently spoiled—as a matter of course in Hongkong.

With the advantage of a knowledge of colloquial Chinese I was able to conduct my inquiries in the market stalls in my own language. The stallholders' own language, interpretation need not be suspected, nor can deliberate misquotation of prices be sustained. As a regular customer I received answers from the stallholders or their folk in the ordinary way.

Comparative Prices

Now let the comparative prices speak for themselves. The unit of weight is catties, not pounds.

Vegetables:	7 cents	7 cents
Potatoes:	7	7
Marrows:	7	7
Sprouts:	7	7
Pumpkin:	7	7
String Beans:	24	24
The explanation for the increase in the price of the last item is that beans were going out of season.		
Fruit:	8 cents	8 cents
Small Bananas:	30	23
Persimmons:	30	23
The reason for the substantial reduction in the price of persimmons is the fact that in the previous week the fruit had just come into season; the supply has since been more plentiful.		
Previous Week's Saturday's Prices	12 cents	12 cents
Pears (Chinese):	12	12
Pears (superior quality):	15	10
Guava (according to quality):	5/12	7/8
Pineapples, Tsin Wan variety (going out of season):	5	8
Pineapples, (imported variety):	10	12

Another notable feature observable in the course of the afternoon's visit was that there was an abundant supply of the different fruits and vegetables, and every stallholder was doing a brisk business in the cheery spirit so characteristic of Chinese, vendor, and patrons alike.

It has been for me a pleasing practice for many years to visit the markets at regular intervals. If my little experience of last Saturday related above should help to promote the popularity of the markets among European housewives, I would assure them that they have all to gain and nothing to lose—except, perhaps, in the eyes of their friends that the practice would be *infra dig*.

J. P. BRAGA.

DEVELOP THE N.T.

Sir,—Regardless of official statements that Hongkong food supplies will not be affected at present by the blockade of the boundary between China and the New Territories, I notice the price of vegetables has already gone up considerably and this is confirmed by reports in your paper. Is it not time that some big movement is started to develop the New Territories in order to overcome the shortage of vegetables etc. and the additional cost of living? We have read a good deal about the possibility of making Hongkong more self-supporting in regard to food stuffs, but nothing ever seems to materialize. Could not the Government take this matter up before it is too late?

PROGRESS.

Egypt Recognises Soviet Russia

CAIRO, Aug. 22 (UP).—The Egyptian Government has decided to recognise Russia on the condition that the Soviet does not attempt to circulate propaganda in Egypt.

Jews, Though Loyal, Will Fight British Policy

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

GENEVA, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The Jews will remain loyal to Britain but will continue to fight against the Palestine White Paper by every means at their disposal except terrorism, declared Mr. Mosheshertok in winding up the general debate of the Zionist Congress. He was speaking in the name of the Executive of the Jewish Agency in Palestine.

The speaker outlined a two-point programme for fighting the British Government's new Palestine proposals; firstly, to take such action as will lead to the defeat of the White Paper policy; secondly, to convince public opinion in England that this policy was unjust.

JAPANESE AGAIN CLAIM FANTASTIC VICTORIES

OVER 1,000 RUSSIAN PLANES SHOT DOWN, THEY REPORT

More fantastic claims have been made by the Japanese regarding the number of Soviet planes they have shot down since May 20 when the recent border hostilities broke out for the first time.

It is stated in a "Domei" message that from May 20 until August 20, 330 Soviet aircraft were shot down by Japanese planes in mid-air combats.

All these Russian planes are said to have been brought down near the border between Manchoukuo and Outer Mongolia.

Further, the Japanese claim that many Soviet planes were missing after each aerial combat. Therefore, they say, the total losses of the Soviet and Outer Mongolian air forces "will exceed 1,000."

On Sunday alone, it is claimed, 40 Soviet planes were shot down, six of them brought down by Japanese anti-aircraft batteries.

Soviet Planes Arrive

TOKYO, Aug. 22 (Domei).—One hundred and fifty Soviet planes recently arrived at Lanchow, capital of Kinsu Province, from the Soviet Union, a Press message from Shanghai indicates.

In addition to aircraft, many Soviet pilots and mechanics also have arrived at the interior base, the message further asserts.

The supply of aircraft to China has been made in accordance with the Soviet-Chinese trade agreement signed on June 16 which stipulates that the Soviet Union will extend credits amounting to \$30,000,000 to China for supply of materials.

UNION OF AFRICAN COUNTRIES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOMBASA, Aug. 21, (Reuter).—A resolution calling for a conference to prepare for the union of Kenya, Tanganyika and Uganda was passed at the annual session of the East African Associated Chambers of Commerce.

The resolution expressed the opinion that the union would be an economic advantage to all three territories and urged the calling of a "round table" conference of representatives of all communities and interests in an earnest endeavour to compose the differences which at present cause opposition to the union.

Reformed Government Measure

NANKING, Aug. 22 (Domei).—The Foreign Office of the Reformed Government has worked out a measure with a view to recovering the judicial powers from the foreign settlements in Shanghai, it was revealed here today.

With the approval of the Executive Council, the Reformed Government will appoint a preparatory committee on the recovery of the judicial rights from the foreign settlements. The measure is calculated to effect a fundamental settlement of the Settlement and Concession problems.

Swedish Submarines For Manoeuvres

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The 2nd Submarine Squadron which should have left today to visit Canada, has been ordered to remain in Swedish waters. It is announced that the submarines will participate in manoeuvres.

Japanese Bombers Active

GREAT HAVOC CAUSED

CHUNGKING, Aug. 22 (Central).—Japanese aircraft again carried out bombing operations over several towns in Kiangsi and Hunan yesterday, causing great havoc.

In Kiangsi, Kihut, northeast of Kian, and Shangjiao, on the Chekiang-Kiangsi Railway in the eastern part of the province, were bombed by 16 machines.

Two planes took part in the attack on Changteh, in north Hunan. They also conducted extensive reconnaissance over Hsiangyang, on the north bank of the Yangtze Lake near the Hupui border.

Airfield Damaged

Japanese military aircraft on Monday morning raided Kian, strategically important town in central Kiangsi Province, and severely damaged the Chinese airfield, the headquarters of the Chinese Ninth War Zone and munitions stores there, says a "Domei" message.

Csaky Gives Re-Assurance

BUDAPEST, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—In an interview here, Count Csaky, Hungarian Foreign Minister spoke of the conflicting rumours that attended his just-completed visits to Berlin and Rome and said it reflected the nervousness and lack of knowledge in certain countries in contrast to the tranquillity in Germany, Italy and Hungary.

To Hungary's friends abroad he gave the reassurance that Hungary could be relied upon to defend its national honour. A strong and independent Hungary was an indispensable factor of the equipment of Central Europe. Neither Germany nor Italy had demanded or requested anything of the Hungarian Government.

Americans Safe At Kaifeng

PEIPING, Aug. 21 (Trans-Ocean).—Mr. Yaguchi, Secretary of the Japanese Embassy in Peiping who was sent specially to Kaifeng to investigate on the spot complaints of alleged anti-American demonstrations, declared on his return today that the rumours were entirely without foundation and the 30 American citizens in Kaifeng were perfectly safe and have no intention of leaving the city.

With regard to the anti-British movement, the Secretary said the Japanese Army could not guarantee the safety of Britons in face of the continuous disturbance of the political atmosphere by Britain.

Japanese Losses In Hankow Fire

CHUNGKING, Aug. 22 (Central).—Considerable losses were suffered by the Japanese in Hankow recently when their military depot at Kiaokow was burnt. Destroyed by fire set by a group of Chinese patriots, according to a report reaching here.

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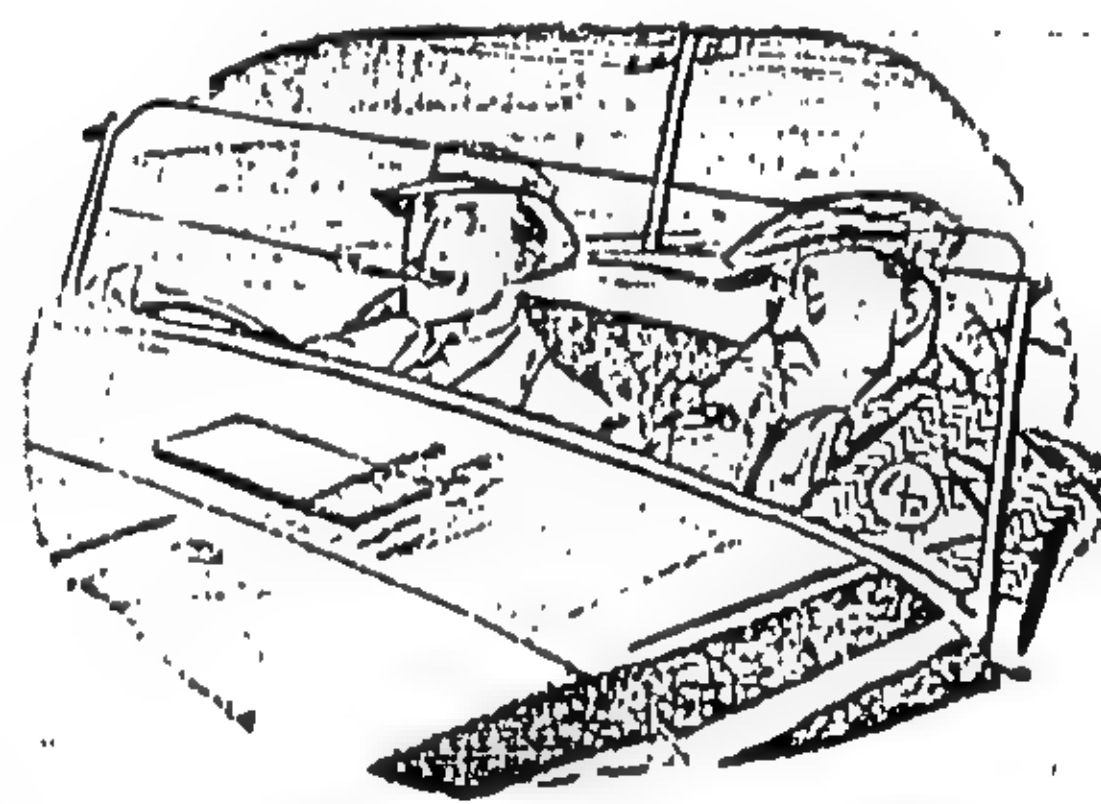
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"Er — yes — I suppose so. Somehow I don't seem to remember things very clearly. I've got a vague recollection of somebody wearing a froc."
"Yes. That was you."
"Oh, I see. Tell me, Philip — do you remember me being dropped head downwards from a great height on to a concrete floor, by any chance?"
"Slight headache, eh?"
"Philip — I wish I had your flair for understatement. I feel as though I had lived on an exclusive diet of iron filings and broken glass for the last five years. What amazes me is that you seem to be so disgustingly cheerful and bright this morning."
"I know. It must be very exasperating. A medicine man warned me to stick to 'Gimica' at parties. So I always take the precaution of bringing my own bottle of Rose's Lime Juice. You may cock a sceptical eyebrow, Edwin — but it works."
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WEST INDIES

SOLID BATTING A FEATURE OF PLAY AT OVAL

K. H. WEEKES MAKES A BRILLIANT CENTURY

The West Indies cricketers batted very well yesterday at the Oval in the Third and Final Test against England. Solid scoring by the middle batsmen has enabled them to pass England's first innings total of 352. At close of play yesterday the tourists had 395 on the board for the loss of six wickets, thus being 43 runs ahead with four wickets in hand.

London, Aug. 21. Although there was a thunderstorm in other parts of the country, the Oval was not affected. A crowd of 9,000 attended the resumption on a fine wicket unaffected by slight overnight rain.

The overnight score of 27 for one was carried to 50, Jeff Stollmeyer and Headley contributing 22 each by cautious play.

Play became lively and the batsmen continued to gather runs freely to the enjoyment of a shirt-sleeved crowd estimated at 20,000. The score was taken to 128 when the second wicket partnership was broken by Perkins catching Jeff Stollmeyer at short-leg off Hutton. Stollmeyer contributed 50, including four boundaries, in 155 minutes, his elegant strokes during the partnership which lasted 155 minutes delighting the crowd.

Vic Stollmeyer was next in and six runs had been added when Headley had the misfortune to be run out. His score of 85, including five boundaries, kept him in the top four for 150 minutes, his driving to the off and cutting being features of a fine innings.

With three wickets down for 134, Gomez joined Vic Stollmeyer, and they were together when the lunch interval came with the total at 152, the newcomers having scored five and his partner 17.

BRIGHT BATTING
Only 12 runs had been added after lunch when Gomez was bowled by Perkins, who hit his leg stump. Gomez contributed only 11 runs to the total. Vic Stollmeyer and Weekes batted steadily to take the total to 200 in 230 minutes. Stollmeyer reached his half-century after being at the wicket for 85 minutes, and Weekes, with bright batting and cutting, had his 50 not out in only 58 minutes. He had hit no fewer than the wickets for 327 for five when Stollmeyer left. The Stollmeyer-Weekes partnership collected the next 60 in only 23 minutes.

When only four short of his century, Stollmeyer had the misfortune to miss a ball from Goddard and was stumped by Wood. The total was 327 for five when Stollmeyer left. At tea-time he was undefeated with 113 and J. E. D. Sealey had seven not out, with the total 300 for five, England's first innings total having thus been passed.

Rain held up play for an hour after tea.

Another County Cricketer To Go

Following the news that Middlesex are not re-engaging Hulme and Hart for next season comes the announcement that Surrey are dispensing with the services of Thomas McMurray. This 28 years old batsman showed high promise some time ago, and played a number of fine innings for the county. Incidentally, he can claim to have played in a Test, for he fielded as a substitute in the Oval Test against the Australians in 1934, and earned rounds of applause by some fine work. Brooks the Surrey wicketkeeper, who recently lost his place in the first team to Mobey, has been engaged for another year, with a hint that next season may be his last with the club.

At the resumption, Weekes was caught by Hammond off Nichols for 137, which had taken him 135 minutes to make. Weekes revealed brilliant all-round form, hitting one six and 18 fours.

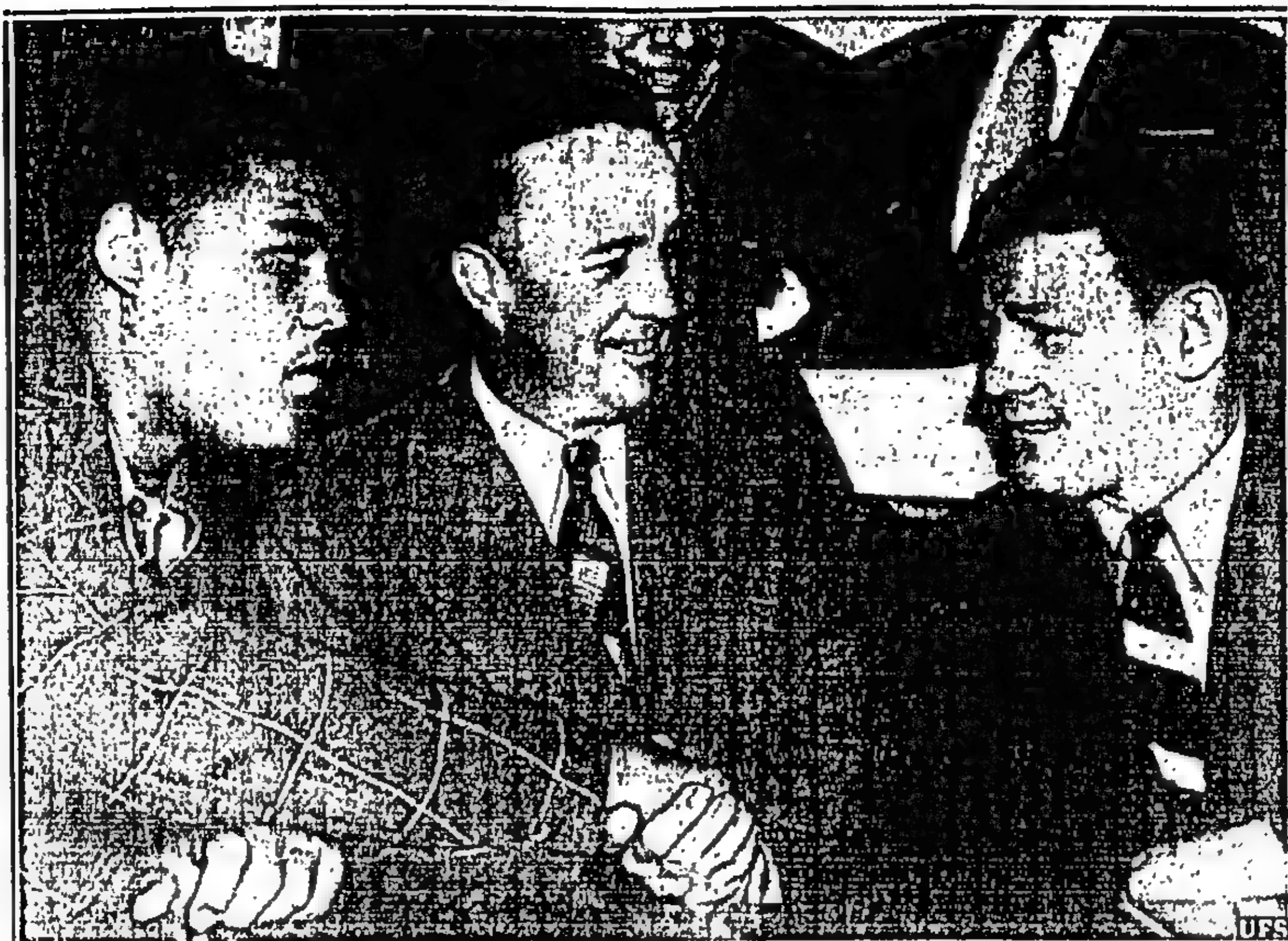
The score was now 399 for six. Stumps were drawn at 395 for six, Sealey being 17 not out and Leary Constantine one not out.

The following were the detailed scores enabled by Reuters:

England—1st Innings 352
R. S. Grant, c Goddard, b Perkins 6
Jeff Stollmeyer, c Perkins, b Hutton 59
G. Headley, run out 65
Vic Stollmeyer, st. Wood, b Goddard 86
G. E. Gomez, b Perkins 11
K. H. Weekes, c Hammond, b Nichols 137
J. E. D. Sealey, not out 17
L. N. Constantine, not out 1
Extras 3
Total (for 6 wks.) 395

Fall of wickets:—1 (Grant) for 12; 2 (Jeff Stollmeyer) for 128; 3 (Headley) for 134; 4 (Gomez) for 164; 5 (Vic Stollmeyer) for 327; 6 (Weekes) for 399.

CRICKETERS LEAD IN THIRD TEST



SET FOR 20 ROUNDS—Old-time, long-range bout is scheduled for Joe Louis and Bob Pastor when they meet at Briggs Stadium, Detroit, on Sept. 21, in 20-round title go. Here, Joe, left and Bob sign up in Detroit. Michigan Boxing Commissioner John J. Mettche, center.

Lawn Bowls

Three Indian R.C. Players Left In Quarter-Finals

(By "Abe")

The three Indian R.C. players left in the Open Bowls singles championship all won their matches yesterday in the Fourth Round to qualify for the quarter-finals of the competition.

Amongst those eliminated yesterday were H. A. Alves, who was beaten by his club-mate, C. F. Remedios, former champion of Shanghai; and A. E. Coates, a former Colony champion, who was rather surprisingly beaten by M. R. Abbas.

The two matches on the Civil Service C.C. green which were expected to be close affairs did not turn out to be so. A. R. Dallah was playing far too well for C. M. Silva, last year's "giant-killer," who could not find his touch. Dallah led 12-0 on the sixth end and went on to win by 21-7 after being ahead all the way.

Of the 14 heads played, Silva won only four, a three, two and two singles being his only successes, whereas Dallah had four threes, three twos, three singles amongst his ten winning heads.

On the adjoining rink, M. R. Abbas won surprisingly easily against A. E. Coates, the final scores being 21-12. Thanks to a good start, Abbas led 20-5 at one stage, and though he allowed his opponent to score seven on three heads, he finished the match with two on the 10th.

To win bowls matches a player frequently needs "joss." Abbas had it yesterday while Coates did not. Twice Coates gave away the shot when he was lying, and on at least one occasion Abbas was lucky either to add to the count or to take the shot.

On the whole, Coates was not playing up to his usual form, having difficulty in getting his weight almost right through the match.

EXCITING TUGGLE

As expected, the match between C. F. Remedios and H. A. Alves produced a splendid struggle. There was never very much in it, although Remedios held a slight advantage nearly all the way. On the 7th head, the winner led 6-2; at the 12th he was 9-5; at the 16th, 12-7; but then Alves started a fine recovery between the 17th and the 20th, which not only enabled him to draw on level terms but actually to pass his opponent. Alves registered a two, three, three and one to lead 10-12 on the 20th.

At the 22nd, Alves was leading 10-13 as the result of a two, but he got stuck there and never scored again, whereas his opponent went on to his game by having one, two, two, one and three in successive heads. The game between A. R. Minu and A. M. Omar was another close affair. The evenness of the struggle is attested by the scores:—5-7 for Minu on the 6th, 9-8 for Omar on the 9th, 12-11 for Minu on the 14th, 13-13 on the 16th, 15-15 on the 19th, 16-16 on the 21st, 19-16 for Omar on the 22nd and 19-18 on the 24th.

In the 25th head, however, Minu scored a three to win out.

Also on the Recreation green, H. White defeated W. Gill by 21-12 on the 20th head. This game was not as exciting as the Minu-Omar encounter. At one stage White was leading 18-6 and though Gill made a partial recovery he had left his effort too late.

TO-DAY'S MATCH

Only one match will be decided today in the Fourth Round, the contest

Tennis

AMERICAN DOUBLES FINALS

Brookline, Mass., Aug. 21. In the finals of the American national doubles championships, Miss Alice Marble and Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Fry, the Wimbledon champions, defeated Miss Kay Stammers and Mrs. Freda Hammerley (Great Britain) by 7-5, 8-6 in the women's event, gaining the title for the third consecutive year.

In the final of the men's event, Adrian Quist and John Bromwich (Australia) beat Jack Crawford and Harry Hopman (Australia) 6-0, 6-1, 6-4.

This is the first time that an All-Australian final has been seen since the inauguration of the championships in 1931.—Reuters.

Peter Kane Knocks Out Frenchman

Peter Kane, of Galborne, the former world fly-weight champion, quickly disposed of Pierre Louis, the French bantamweight champion, whom he beat in the third round of a contest scheduled for ten rounds. In the open air at the Louis XI Stadium at Monte Carlo on August 5, Kane did most of the attacking in the first round, but there were no real damaging punches landed.

With Louis showing will to guess to mix matters, there were some fast exchanges in the second round, in which Louis broke even with Kane, who was certainly the quicker of the two. The end came suddenly, and it was rather a shock for the crowd, who had anticipated a much longer and closer fight. Louis pluckily tried to continue, but after rising from the count he was in a dazed condition, and the towel went fluttering into the ring to save him from further unnecessary punishment.

Johnny Cusick, (Manchester), British featherweight champion, out-pointed Bernard Leroux (France) over ten rounds.

Francis Hutz, the French Army champion, knocked out George Marwick, of Sussex, ex-Army champion in the third round.

Miss Garnham Wins Belgian Golf Title

Miss Kathleen Garnham, the English international, won the Belgian women's golf championship and J. M. Baillieu, the Australian amateur won the men's title at Le Zoute on August 6.

Miss Garnham beat Mme J. de Meulemeester, Belgium, 5 and 4 in the 36 holes final after having been three up at the end of the first round, and Baillieu beat W. Storms 6 and 5, also over 36 holes, after leading by two holes on the first round.

King Leopold, who was beaten in the second round of the championship, watched the match between Baillieu and Storms and later presented the cups to the players. He wore a white cap and carried an umbrella. Storms missed short putts at the second, fourth, fifth and sixth holes in the second round. Mme de Meulemeester proved no match for Miss Garnham.

Here And There With "Abe"

Shanghai Swimming Times Impressive

JUST when Hongkong swimming officials were beginning to feel satisfied with the times returned by some of our Interport candidates in the Colony Championships, held at the V.R.C. last week, news from Shanghai regarding the amazing times of the northern stars rather shattered the confidence of these officials. Well though the Colony swimmers have performed, and while we have the greatest faith in them when they clash with Shanghai next month, we are perforce to admit, in the face of the 68% secs. for the 100 yards breaststroke by young Dick Hall, and the 66% secs. for the 100 yards backstroke by Jack Lumsdaine, that our prospects in these two events at least are far from rosy. Hall, an 18-year-old prodigy, bettered Kwok Chun-hung's Hongkong record by no less than 3% secs., Lumsdaine's time was an improvement by 2% secs. over Lau Po-hei's Hongkong record. More comforting, however, is the realization that D. H. Taylor smashed the 50 yards free style record, and in returning a time of 24½ secs., he rather restored some of our former complacency.

Chinese Talent

DISCUSSING Chinese talent, a Shanghai sports writer bemoans the fact that Shanghai is not as well-served in this direction as Hongkong, "his might be true in past Interports, but certainly not in the next; for most of the Chinese swimmers in the Colony do not want to go to Shanghai even if selected. Any discussion on the matter is hardly possible without stepping on some people's corns, so the less said about it the sooner mended. Nevertheless, it is a great pity that Chinese talent, of which there is an abundance at the moment, is not available for our next meeting with Shanghai for with it Hongkong would stand a chance of carrying off the honours, and without it the prospects are not 'nearly so good'.

Shanghai's Stars

JUDGING by recent comment, Dick Hall's feat in covering the 100 yards breaststroke in 68% secs. must have surprised even the Shanghai officials. When he won the event last year, he covered the distance without apparent effort or opposition in 73% secs., and it was expected that in this year's championship he would probably cut his time down to 71 seconds or thereabouts. But he astounded them by finishing in the amazingly good time of 68% secs. Lumsdaine, if he does the 100 yards backstroke in the same time in the Interport as he did on Saturday night at the A.S.F. Gala, should just walk off with the event. But Shanghai is likely to miss Toby Gavriloff, another young swimmer, who is thought to be as good as, if not better than, Noel Hammond, a star of former Interports. He was regarded as the all-important factor in Shanghai's hopes, but at the present time he is lying behind closed doors at the

Country Hospital and there appears to be little chance of him recovering fully by September 7 when the Interport is scheduled to begin. This means that Shanghai's chances in the 100, 220, 440 and 880 have diminished



Toby Gavriloff
he is ill with typhoid.

considerably. Archie Logan, an old Interporter, in his present condition is not equal to the task of covering the 50 in 25 seconds or the 100 in 57 seconds—which he must do to beat the Hongkong men.

Campbell's Feat

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Year	Driver	Nation
1929	83.12 m.p.h. Gar Wood	U.S.A.
1930	90.78 m.p.h. Sir Henry	Seagrave Britain
1931	101.25 m.p.h. Gar Wood	U.S.A.
1932	102.48 m.p.h. Kaye Don	Britain
1933	110.23 m.p.h. Kaye Don	Britain
1934	117.83 m.p.h. Gar Wood	U.S.A.
1935	125.70 m.p.h. Kaye Don	Britain
1937	125.70 m.p.h. Gar Wood	U.S.A.
1938	129.50 m.p.h. Sir Malcolm	Campbell Britain
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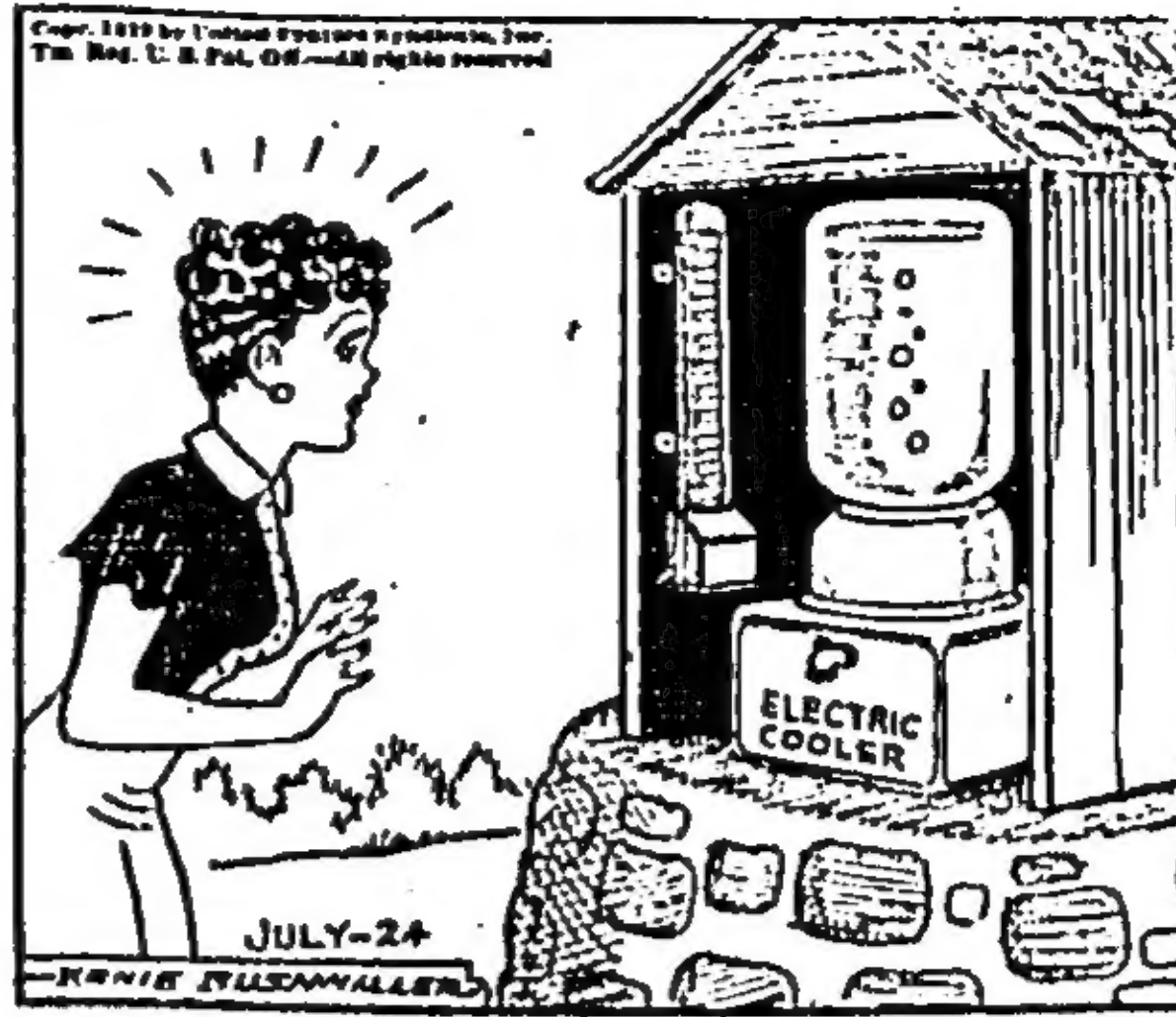
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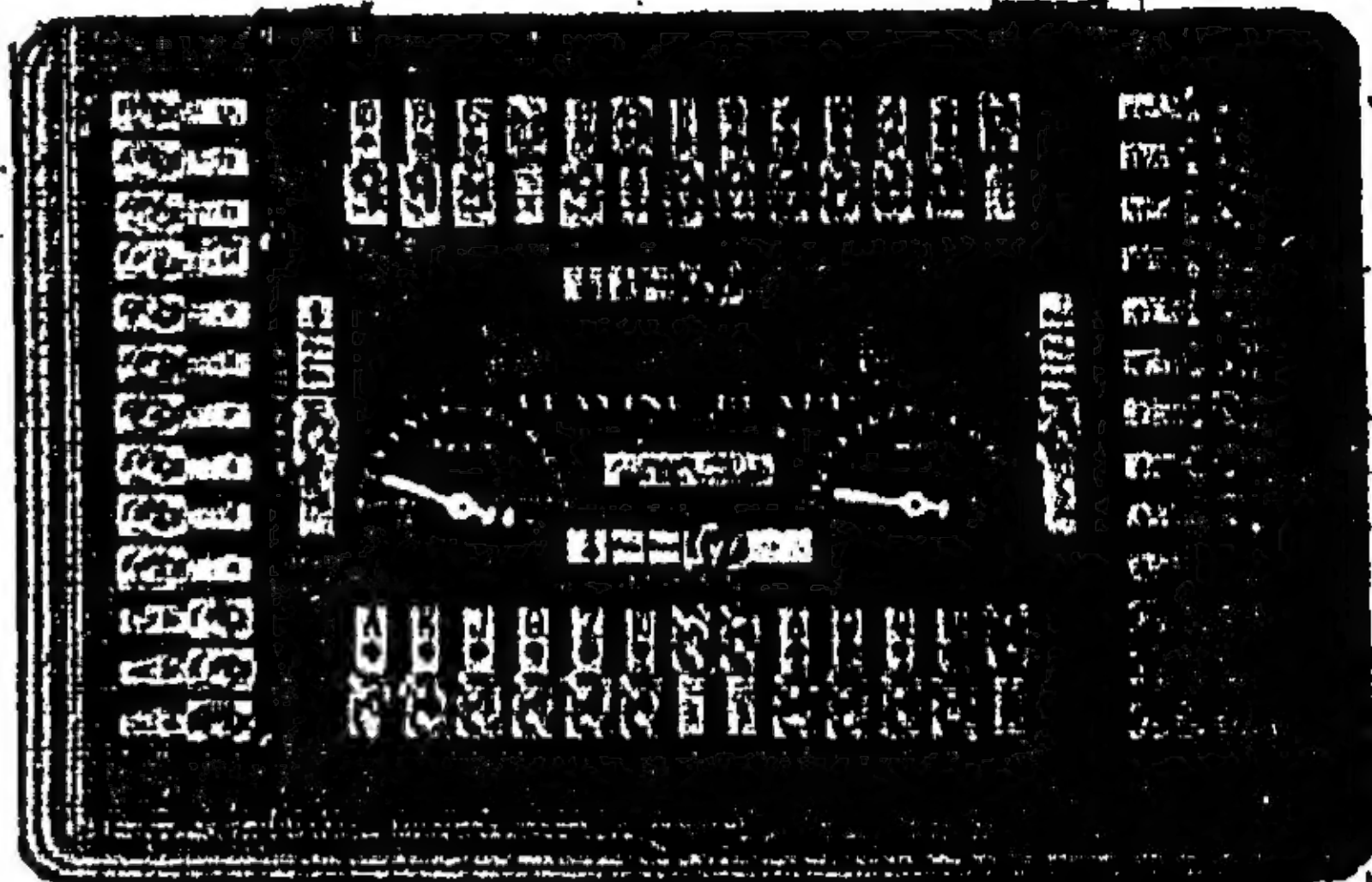


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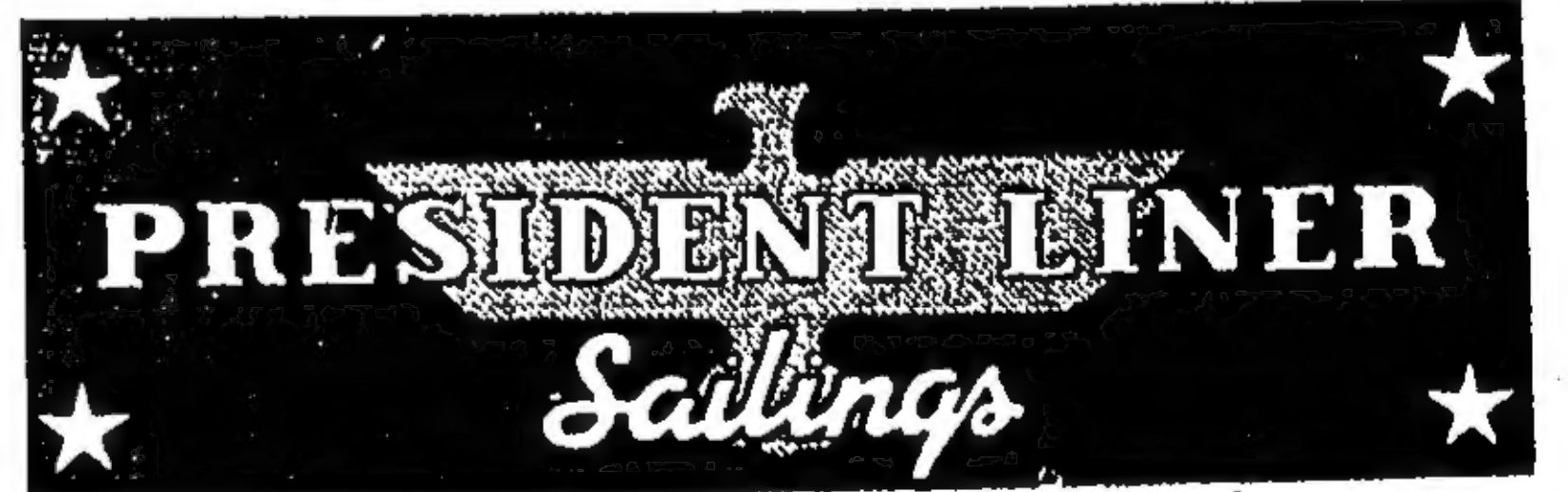
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ENGLISH SELECTORS SET MORE PROBLEMS

Information On Some Of The New Testites: Facts And Figures

(By "R. ADDIT")

There can have been very few Selection Committees in the last thirty years or so that have given general satisfaction. There have been none so far as I know who ever explained the reasons for what they did, and the public and the cricket writers are left to guess for themselves.

As regards this year's selections against the West Indians, though certain circles thought that the team was rather a sledge hammer to crack a nut. However any Colonial of Dominion side would feel hurt if England did not put out her full strength—as witness the fuss in India because we are resting some of our best players with a view to a later Australian contest. And, as a matter of fact, the nut proved a very tough one to crack, and the selectors were not quite satisfied. Gimblett who has been tried in Tests before did not satisfy them and he was replaced by Fagg and a much greater surprise—Goddard was preferred to Verity. I have not the figures of that rain-ruined match before me but I know there was a good deal of criticism of slow batting in the second knock of England. Personally I think that in such weather a draw was the better decision. But, as I said the critics were criticised. Verity could have won the game for England. This, however, is rather by the way as Goddard might also have done so had more use been made of him.

NOT ENOUGH NEWS
Any way the Selection Committee determined to have a good stir up. Living out here when *Cricketers* still take a month or so to come out (it would be about six bob by Air-mail) one cannot keep in close touch with the game. The amount of cricket news sent out by the agencies is ridiculously small and practically contains bare results only. One has no means of knowing which cricketer is collecting a harvest of runs or wickets, or having a bad patch, and, more important still, we don't know who are on the injured list. Selections and dismissals are very largely influenced by this. For instance, I imagine that only illness or accident has kept Paynter out of the side selected for the third Test unless he was asked to stand down to make room for some other batsman.

The three selectors which caused the most surprise to me were those of Keeton, Nichols and Perks. Oldfield, though he first played only in 1935, has been knocking at the door for a long time. In his first season he made 1020 runs for an average of 35.17 and hit two centuries for Lancashire. He fell off a little in 1936 and 1937 averaging 26.36 and 27.17 only, but last season he made 1550 runs for 37.80 average scoring four centuries. He has been making a lot of runs lately and on 14th July he was 15th in the batting order. He is an extremely stylish batsman and his inclusion causes no particular surprise. He is twenty eight and a half years old.

M. S. NICHOLS
The selection which surprised me most, however, is that of M. S. Nichols, not that he is not a most excellent all-rounder; but because I had rather got the idea his Test Match days were over. He is close upon 39 years of age and played for England against Australia in the fourth Test Match in 1936. He did not, however, visit Australia in Jardine's team in 1932/33, but played in the third Test Match against the West Indies in 1933. In 1934 he was twice 12th man against the Australians. In 1938 the most he achieved was selection in the thirteen or fourteen players who were asked to be present at the Old Trafford for the third Test Match, but as no ball was bowled and no eleven even selected, one cannot know if he would have got in or not. (It is surprising how often a player is twelve men—or is selected, and there is no play—and then he gets dropped. The answer must be that the selectors work on current form). Nichols was selected for the Players vs. the Gentlemen in 1938 both at Lord's and Scarborough. It will therefore be seen that though Nichols has been on the fringe of things for years he has only on two occasions actually played in a Test side, making 7 not out and taking 2 for 36 vs. Australia and 49, with 1/30 and 2/51 against the West Indies. He has been, however, a most consistent cricketer for years

and perhaps has been too good an all-rounder to achieve that particular level either in batting and bowling which brings a man into a Test side regularly. E. W. Clarke though no batsman has on several occasions been preferred as a left hand fast bowler. Leyland, tho' no comparison exists between them in bowling, far surpasses him as a left hand bat. Yet Nichols has so far accomplished the "Cricketer's Double" (1000 runs and 100 wickets in the same season) eight times, 1929, 1932, 1933, 1935-6-7-8-9, and in the last five years has each time been the first player to complete the double. It is only when one digs as far into records as I have done that one realises what a worthy cricketer Nichols is, and that one has come to take him for granted except in the Test Class.

W. W. KEETON
Another rather a surprise selection until I dug into the various volumes of Wisden, when I began to realise the position. Keeton, born in 1905, first appeared for Notts in 1929 when he played 5 innings for an average of 22.60. But even after this promising start he was forced out of the side by the plethora of splendid batsmen the County had at that period. He played one innings only in 1929 (12 runs) and did not appear at all in 1930. In 1931, however, after the sad death of W. Whysall and the retirement of Paynter he made good and his subsequent figures as shown in this table are very interesting.

VARIAIONS
It will be seen that he was very consistent in 1932/3/4, and in the latter year he played for England against Australia, going in first with C. P. Walters at Leeds and scoring 25 and 12. It must be admitted however that he only got his place because Sutcliffe was suffering from a strain.

Figures dropped right away in 1935, but this was the result of an unfortunate motor accident in the previous winter. He did not come into the side until late June, and this set back seem to have put him out of the running, especially as Sutcliffe was still going strong. He recovered his form in 1937 but fell off in 1938 owing to ill health, as he had to undergo an operation for appendicitis in October. This season he has been scoring consistently and made 312 not out against Middlesex on 15th July last, although he already had completed his thousand runs.

A PARTNER TO HUTTON
It is clear that the problem of who is to partner Hutton had not yet been solved. Gimblett and Fagg have both failed and Edrich (dead out of form this year) has proved he has not the test match temperament. It looks as if Keeton might be a solution though he most unfortunately made a duck in the first innings. However, Edrich had many chances and Keeton looks promising.

R. T. D. PERKS
Perks of Worcestershire has been coming along steadily as a fast medium bowler, accurate of length and with a disconcerting swing. His pace, I gather, has increased considerably in the last couple of seasons. He first played for his county in 1930 and has gradually worked up his number of victims until he has come to be one of most dependable bowlers in county cricket. His figures since 1934 are as follows.

It must be remembered that Worcester is not a strong bowling county and he gets overworked. He was not selected for the Players vs. Lords this year but has presumably done some good work since. Up to



Raymond Lui and his Hawaiian Serenaders who will be appearing on the stage of the Queen's Theatre for three days from Thursday.

Swimming

S'HAH PREPARES FOR INTERPORT

Shanghai, Aug. 17.

At a meeting of the Shanghai Amateur Swimming Association held at noon yesterday, confirmation of the cable advice received from Hongkong was read in a letter received from the Colony's swimming body, advising the local group that the visiting swimmers would leave the Southern port on the a.s. Wingsang on August 27 and would arrive on August 31. Other members of the team would leave Hongkong on an Empress liner on September 3 and would arrive here later.

With the news that the visitors are definitely sending a team here, preparations are being speeded up to make the interport contest as successful as those which preceded it. Yesterday's meeting was a preliminary to others. A reply to Hongkong is being drafted advising them that arrangements for their stay will be made. The visitors will be in Shanghai for some considerable time before the actual interport gain takes place as the meeting is scheduled for September 7, 8 and 9.

COLONY SENDING TWELVE
Hongkong is sending up a team of twelve swimmers, including representatives in the various swimming events and in the relays and water polo. It is expected they will be a fairly good side and Shanghai will have to go out strongly to beat them.

The ailment of Toby Gavriloff has at last been diagnosed as Typhus, which means that he will be out of active participation for the whole summer and will definitely not be able to take part in the interport. His absence will be a tremendous loss, and the local team will have to look around for a swimmer to replace him. In the two Chinese swimmers, Z. K. Lok and C. L. Wen, Shanghai has two discoveries, but neither has recorded as good time as Gavriloff.

Shanghai will have the best chance in the breast stroke and the backstroke, as her two young swimmers, R. Hall, the breast stroke champion, and J. Lumsdaine the backstroke swimmer, should not only win their respective events, but are tipped to break the interport records for these events.

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British Ryder Cup Players

London, Aug. 21.

The following golfers have been selected to represent Great Britain in the Ryder Cup match against the United States at Ponte Vedra, Florida, on November 18 and 19:
Henry Cotton (Captain), J. L. Adams, Richard Burton, Sam King, Alfred Padgham, Dai Rees, Charles Whitcombe and Reginald Whitcombe.—*Reuter*.

Basketball

CANADIANS' THIRD WIN IN MANILA

Manila, Aug. 22.

The Canadian basketballers scored their third victory in four Manila appearances last night by defeating the University of Santo Tomas by 31 points to 28.

The game was close throughout with the score never more than a point apart in all quarters except the last.

The Canadians led in the first quarter by nine to eight, and maintained their slight slim margin throughout.

Both teams scored eight points in the third quarters but the Canadians "iced" the game by scoring eight points in the last quarter against Santo Tomas' five points.

The centre, Joe Ross, was the star of the Canadian team.—*United Press*.

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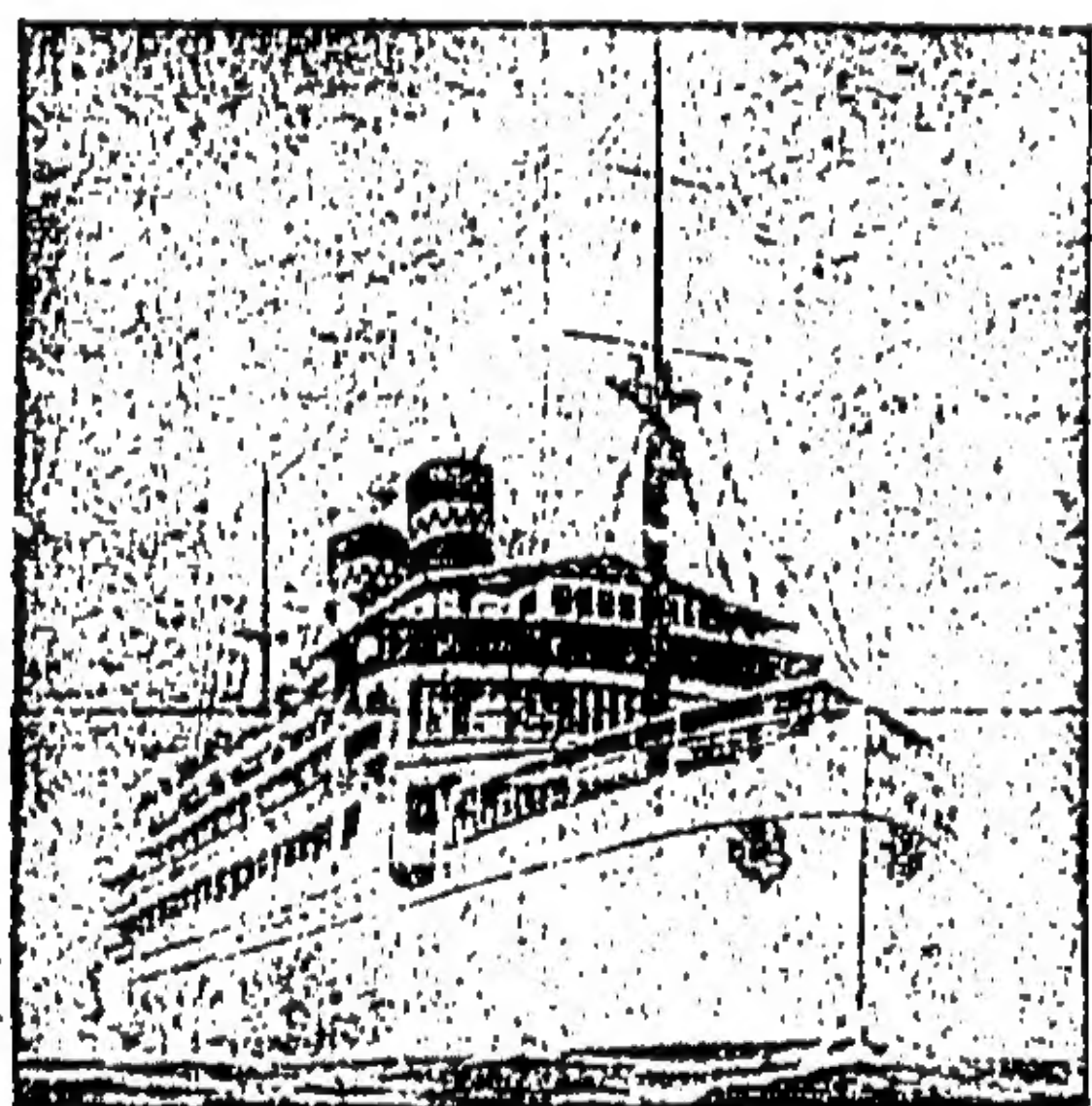
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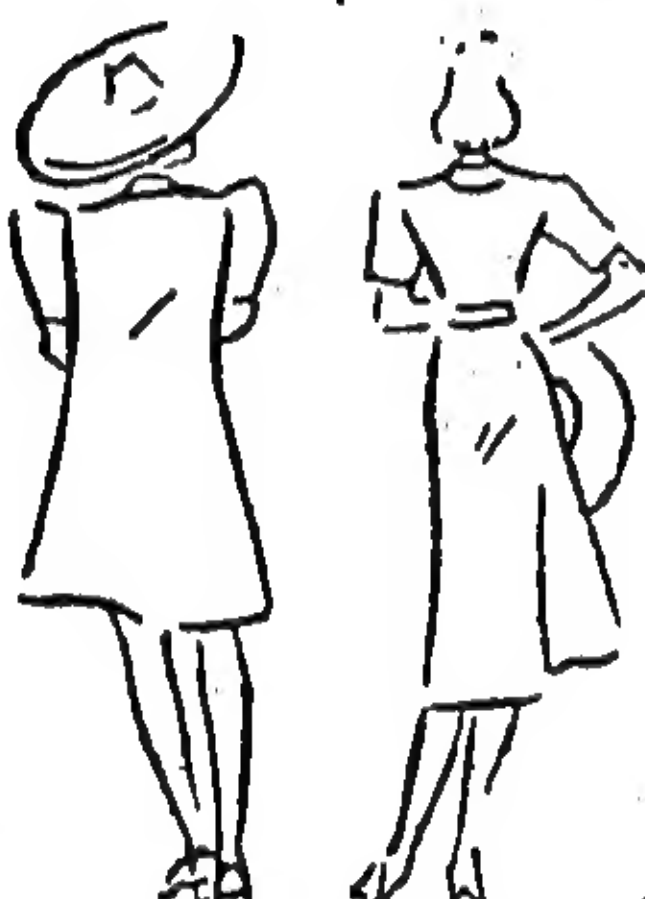


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An excellent non-alcoholic mixture. Sieve half pound of tomatoes, add the juice of a lemon and a teaspoonful of tomato ketchup with half a teaspoonful of Worcester sauce, and shake well with crushed ice. Serve in small glasses.

The First Course
You can serve this in place of grappa-fruit when friends come to dinner. Put slices of skinned tomato into glasses alternately with slices of peeled orange. Cover with a sauce made of orange juice, a few drops of white vinegar and a little oil. These carefully blended together with a wooden spoon. Sprinkle a little chopped parsley on top of each and serve ice cold.

A Favourite Soup
Ingredients: 1 large onion, 3oz. dripping, 1½ lb. cut-up tomatoes, parsley and bayleaf, 2 tablespoons ground rice, a few drops cochineal, 1 tablespoonful vinegar, 1 quart stock, ¼ pint unsweetened tinned milk.
Thinly slice the onion and put it into a large pan with the dripping, tomatoes, parsley and bayleaf. Set the lid on the pan and cook the mixture for quarter of an hour over slow heat, stirring occasionally.

Mix in the ground rice, cochineal and vinegar and add the stock. Bring to the boil and simmer for half an hour. Pass through a sieve or strainer and re-heat with the unsweetened tinned milk. Serve with small squares of toast or fried bread. Savoury Macaroni

Macaroni, spaghetti and rice blend extremely well with tomatoes. First

the macaroni dish. The tomatoes should be skinned, so drop them into boiling water for a couple of minutes and you'll find the peel comes away easily. Ingredients: 4oz. macaroni, 3 medium sized tomatoes, 1 small onion, 1oz. margarine or butter, bread-crumbs, salt and pepper.

Boil the macaroni in salted water for twenty minutes, drain and mix with the chopped onion and seasoning. Add the cut-up skinned tomatoes and lay all in a greased dish.

Cover with a good layer of bread-crumbs, put the butter in small pieces on top and bake in a moderate oven. Cheese & Tomatoes

Quickly and easily made and a nice supper dish. Useful recipe when friends drop in unexpectedly.

Ingredients: 4oz. spaghetti, 8oz. sieved tomatoes, 2oz. grated cheese, 2 tablespoonfuls of milk or unsweetened tinned milk, 2oz. bread-crumbs.

Boil the spaghetti in salted water for twenty minutes, drain and mix with the sieved tomatoes and bread-crumbs and make hot together. In a separate pan stir cheese and milk until quite smooth.

Put the tomato mixture into a pie-dish, cover with cheese mixture and brown under the grill or in the oven.

If you want to make the dish even more substantial place a shelled soft-boiled egg for each person between the two mixtures and then brown. For a Hot Snack

When a hot snack is wanted try this appetizing savoury.

Allow two tomatoes per person for this dish. Ingredients: 8 tomatoes, 3oz. plain-boiled rice, 1½oz. butter or margarine, 2 tablespoonfuls grated cheese, salt, pepper and parsley.

Cut a small piece of the top of each tomato and scoop out the pulp. Put the latter into a small pan with the butter, and when hot add the hotted rice, seasoning and grated cheese. Fill the mixture into the tomato cases, sprinkle chopped parsley on top and lay all on a greased tin. Bake in a hot oven for fifteen minutes. Dish on rounds of hot buttered toast. Unusual Fruit Salad

This is an out-of-the-ordinary way of preparing a salad. Ingredients: 4 tomatoes, 2 tablesp. shredded pineapple, 2 tablesp. chopped apple, mayonnaise, young lettuce and beetroot.

Cut a thin slice off the tomato tops and scoop out the pulp. Season the cases with salt and pepper and set aside for half an hour. Mix the apple, pineapple, chopped pulp and mayonnaise and fill into the cases. Arrange all on a bed of crisp lettuce leaves and garnish with beetroot.

A GOOD many stores hold special half-price days during the sale, when remnants of silk, linen and cotton are sold off at half-price. For the woman with a machine this is a grand opportunity to obtain remnants of this and that which she can run up into glamour-making holiday attire.

Even if these rather out-of-the-ordinary play-suits aren't going to be much use afterwards, don't you agree that if they have made you feel "gay and part of the party" for a fortnight they have been a good investment? For the everyday girl the smartest outfit and the most practical in the shorts dress with a three-quarter length coat, so here is one of the newest models for you as well as a zipped beach dress.

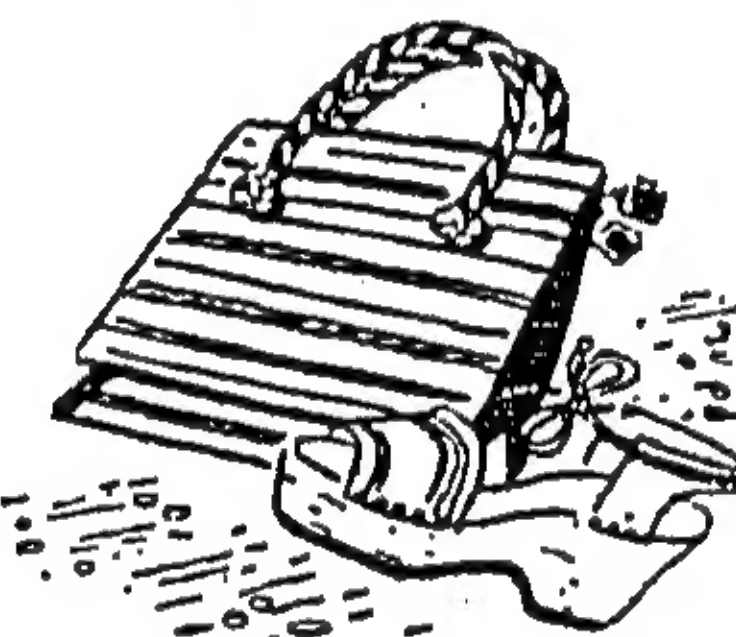
SHORT DRESSES

The fashion note about this summer beach wear is that the shorts dresses, as No. 1291, are all cut with brassiere top. That upward V gives a raised bodice line that is universally becoming and really makes you look slim. Shorts are cut with adequate fullness to suit the feminine figure.

The coat, too, has several possibilities and these shorter coats are newer than ground length styles.

You can make it in the same colour and material as your shorts if you wish, but a plain colour of the predominating shade of your dresses enables you to wear it with other outfits.

As to the other design, No. 1292, this also has a double life, as it will make up well in cotton or silk and you will probably be glad of a new office frock when your summer vacation is over.



SNOWBALLS

YOU must scoop the pulp from the tomatoes, leaving unbroken cases.

Ingredients: Short pastry, 1lb. tomatoes, 2oz. cooked ham, 1 tablespoonful chopped parsley, 1 chopped onion, 1 egg, 1oz. dripping, seasoning, 4 mushrooms.

Cut a thin slice off the top of each tomato and scoop out the pulp. Fry the chopped onion in the dripping until pale brown, add the shredded ham, chopped mushrooms, parsley, and some of the pulp and cook for five minutes.

Break in the egg and stir till thick without boiling and season to taste. Fill the mixture into the prepared cases and replace the top slices.

Lay each on a square of thin rolled short pastry, pinch the edges together so that the tomatoes are entirely enclosed, and bake for about fifteen minutes in a hot oven until nicely browned. (Regulo Mark 7.)

USEFUL HINTS

BEFORE wearing white linen or buckskin shoes for the first time, go over them with a liquid white cleaner. The material is thus protected from the beginning and the shoes last a long time before becoming shabby or discoloured.

Instead of tape loops sew curtain rings on oven cloths; tea cloths, etc. They can then be hung up in a moment.

Aluminium pans will wash perfectly clean on the outside if they are rubbed over with grease before being used on the stove.

Important Accessories

GOOD gloves can help greatly to enhance the beauty of a shapely hand. When choosing a glove, see that the thumb is well cut, so that there is no "pull" to make an ugly crease. Buy gloves that have good gussets, and taper rather pointedly at the finger-tips; this allows the nail, whatever its shape, to fit snugly into the tip, and the fingers to be well smoothed down into the glove.

Gloves are very decorative to-day. Made of all the fabrics one can think of from string to satin, and from leather to lace, they are an important part of a modern ensemble.

Women with large hands who wear a dark glove with a small light gauntlet will deflect attention from the hand and make it appear smaller. Hosiery is another fashion point that needs to be considered.

To slim a broad ankle there are stockings that have a pointed piece of fabric woven at the back of the ankle from the heel, extending about three inches above the top of the back to the shoe. This, worked in a slightly darker shade than the rest of the stocking, has a slimming effect. Always take the trouble to see that the back seam is straight, or a clumsy, ungroomed appearance will result.

Stockings with lace insets and stockings imitating woven net make a periodical appearance on the market, but these are primarily for women with thin legs and slim ankles.

Few women realise that a well-fitting stocking is as important as a well-fitting shoe.

It is best always to wash new stockings before wearing them, as they are less likely to wrinkle and to ladder.

I. D.

A Tea-Time Stand-By

HERE is a very economical recipe for shortbread biscuits:—7 oz. plain flour, 1 oz. ground rice, 4 oz. margarine, 2 oz. caster sugar.

Work all together with the hand until soft and pliable. No liquid is required. Roll out to about ¼ inch thickness and cut out biscuits. Bake in a moderate oven for 15 minutes. This quantity makes about three dozen biscuits. Stored in a tin, these biscuits are invaluable as a reserve for unexpected visitors, because they can be transformed in five minutes into a variety of tea-time dainties. Here are a few suggestions—

As biscuits, sprinkled with caster sugar. It is a good plan to keep in store a small quantity of pink sugar. A plateful of pink and white looks more attractive than all white.

Spread with jam and sprinkle thickly with desiccated coconut. Ice with chocolate icing. Decorate with halved cherries and walnuts.

Join two biscuits together with raspberry jam, ice and top with a cherry or small blob of pink icing. (By adding a drop of carmine to remaining white icing.)

Other ideas will suggest themselves.

R. K.

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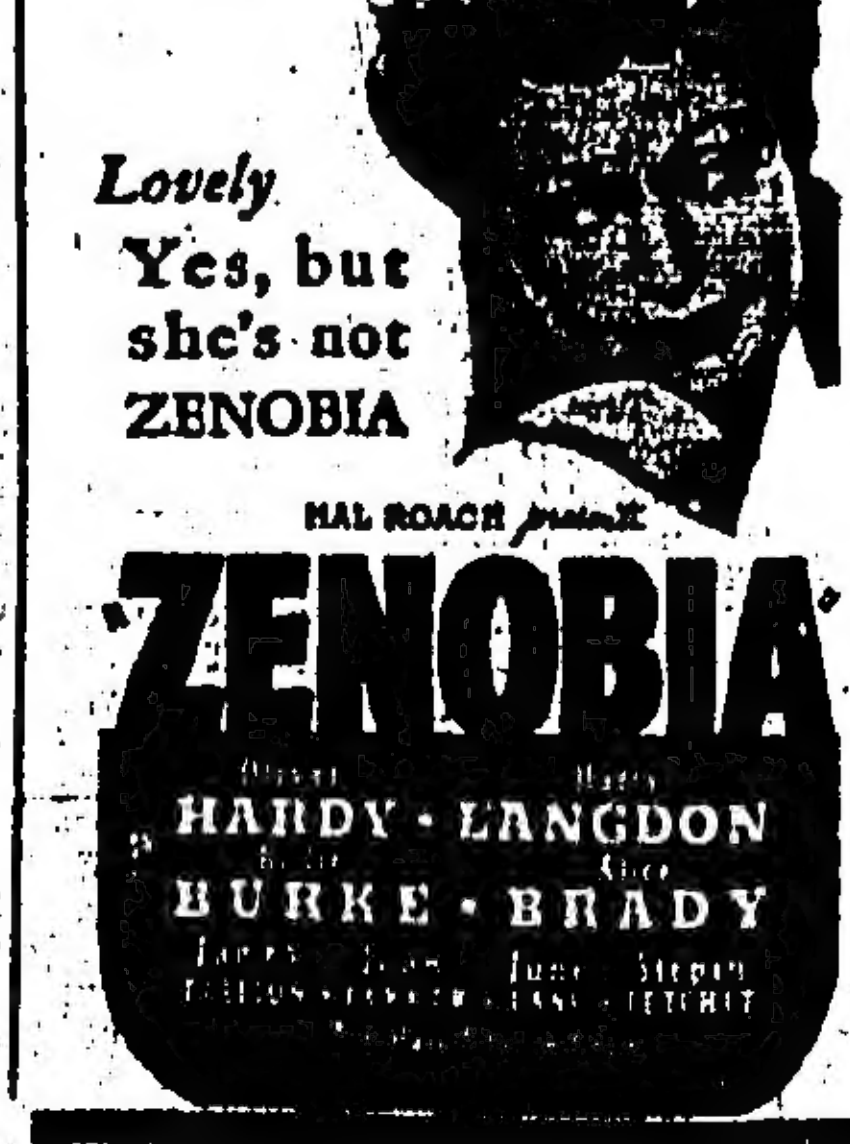
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KING'S COMING SOON!

HARDLY A LADY...BUT OH! What a Girl!



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IN PICTURES
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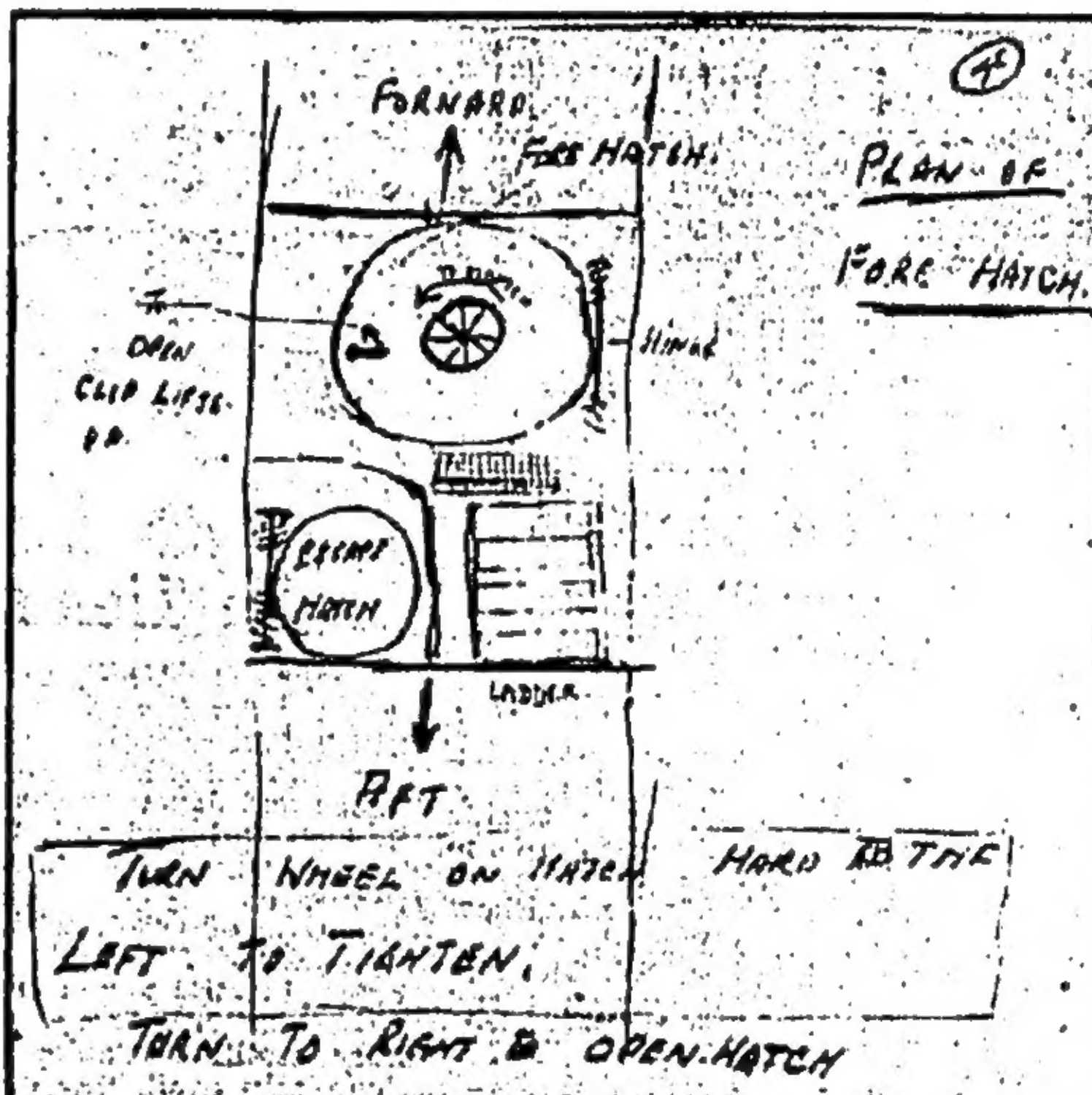
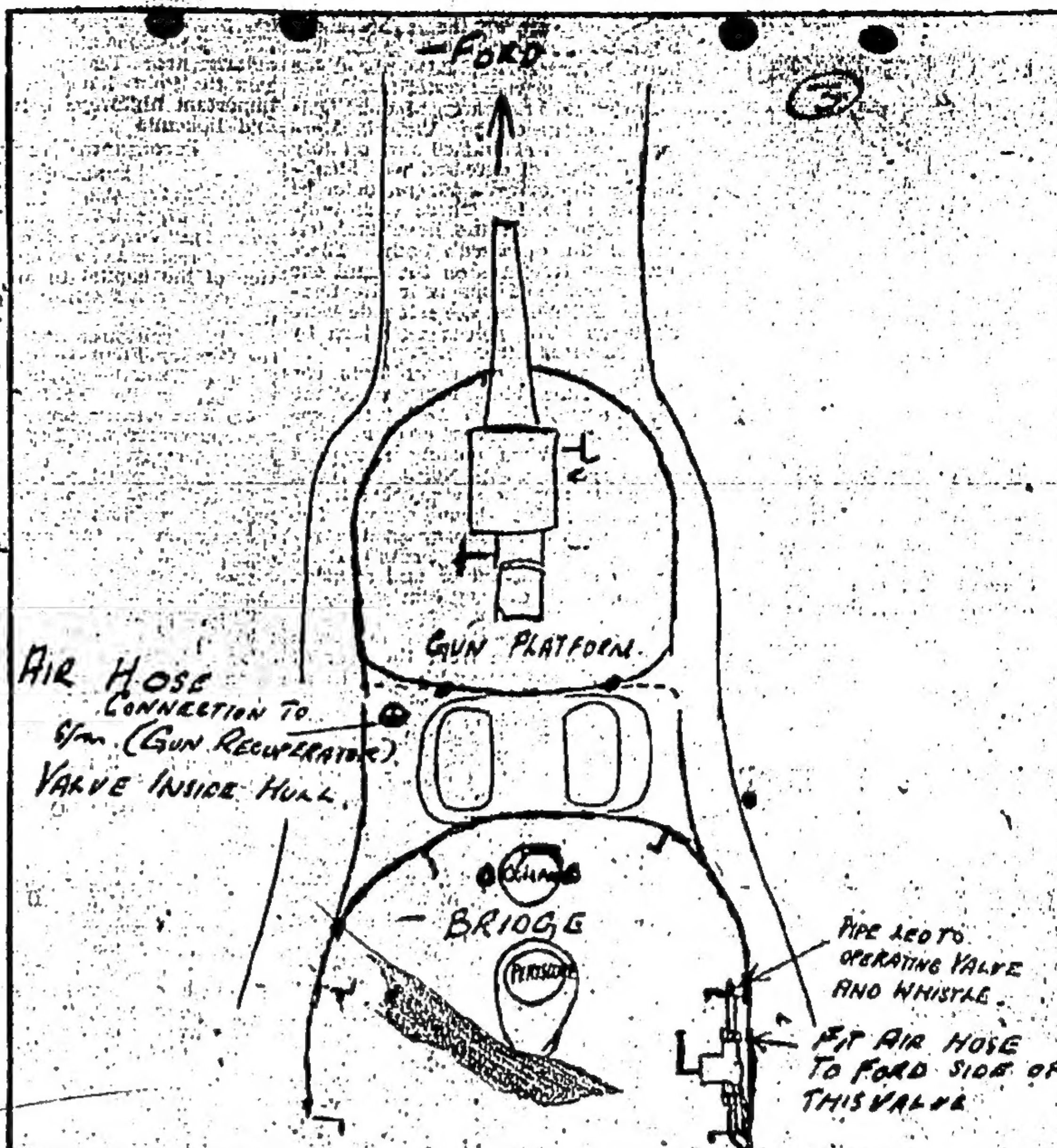
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PHOTONEWS

HAPPENINGS
AS SEEN BY
THE CAMERA'S EYE

Happy Days Down On The
(Lambeth) Farm



THESE pictures were taken on a Lambeth farm where the workers recently celebrated the centenary of their order. The order is known as the Little Sisters of the Poor, and the Lambeth farm is one of 307 centres throughout the world. Picture above shows 67-year-old John Donoghue, a recently celebrated centenary worker, tending to the pig, which is his special charge. Right: O'Neill bottling beer (brewed on the farm) for the workers.



**THETIS
ESCAPE
PLANS**

HERE ARE two of the escape plans handed to Mr. Justice Bucknill during the recent Thetis inquiry hearing. They were drawn by Commissioned Engineer Glenn, after a conference of the doomed experts, in the desperate hope that rescuers would be able to work on them. The plans were brought to the surface by Captain Oram, who had them strapped to his arm so that they might be found even if he lost his life in leaving the submarine. Above is a plan for connecting an air hose, and on the left the fore and escape hatches.



**WIMBLEDON RAIN
SCENES**

SPECTATORS at Wimbledon recently saw Mrs. S. Fabian (U.S.) slip on a wet court (above), during her match with Kay Stammers, in which she was beaten. Play was held up for some time owing to rain, but, as shown on left, the crowd came prepared. By disposing of her opponent, Miss Stammers now meets Alice Marble (U.S.) for the final of the Women's Singles championship.



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Crossword Puzzle

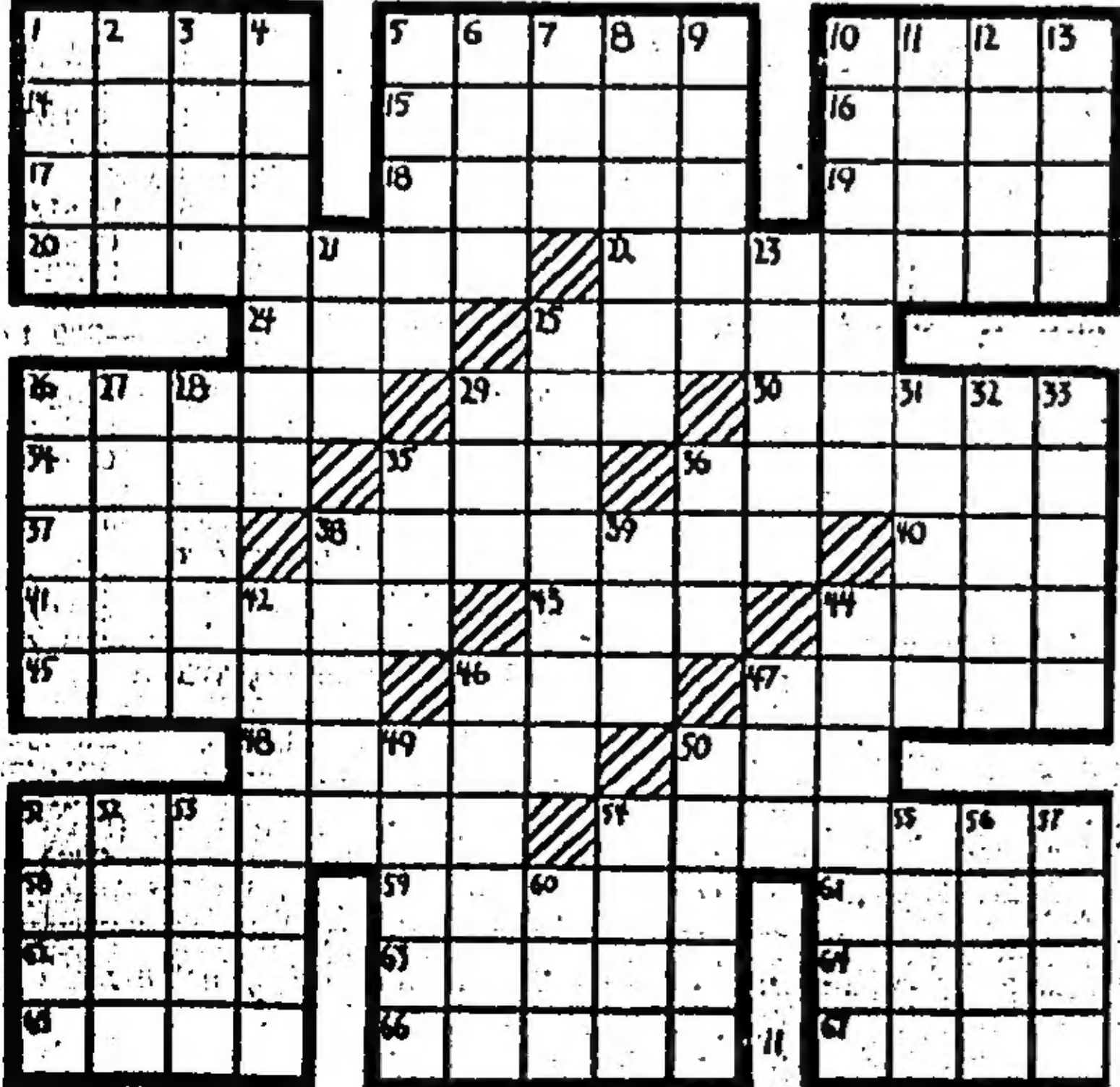
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ACROSS

- 1—Manner sound like cat
- 2—Disturbance of atmosphere
- 3—Bend over on stairs
- 4—On side away from wind
- 5—Volcano on island of Martinique
- 6—Allowance for wear of coin
- 7—Consumer
- 8—Finished
- 9—Inert gas used to electric signs
- 10—Of mercurial disposition
- 11—Two together
- 12—Kind of strain
- 13—Curve came
- 14—Kind of hat
- 15—One of
- 16—Term of property
- 17—Male sheep
- 18—Play on words
- 19—Each of two
- 20—Years of life
- 21—Model proposed for
- 22—Disorder of
- 23—Pertaining to teeth
- 24—Consistent for sake of dead
- 25—Literary composition
- 26—Faint
- 27—Wide awake
- 28—Good
- 29—Nocturnal bird of prey
- 30—Not expected
- 31—Those who err
- 32—Game played on horseback

DOWN

- 1—Handle roughly
- 2—Otherwise
- 3—Entertain notion
- 4—Of grave importance
- 5—Vain
- 6—Canary shelter
- 7—One who reduces salt area by trine
- 8—To whom
- 9—Decorations for
- 10—Dresser
- 11—Curved molding
- 12—Bent of tree
- 13—Put on
- 14—Devout
- 15—Killed
- 16—One hundred years
- 17—Specialized craft
- 18—Angry spell
- 19—Tribute name
- 20—Small house
- 21—Tire of window
- 22—Curtain
- 23—One who catches
- 24—Ann's special
- 25—Friend
- 26—Plan-making bird
- 27—One who sets sail
- 28—Defeat
- 29—Youth from
- 30—Ditch
- 31—Bent of wheat
- 32—That are within
- 33—Lubrication
- 34—One of
- 35—Sudden starting star
- 36—Winding of thirteenth
- 37—Bridge track
- 38—Faction
- 39—Leaving door
- 40—Part in play
- 41—Frozen water
- 42—In what manner



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BLACK-OUT MISHAP

An inquiry into the death of a Chinese male, Mak Ying, 35, who was knocked down by a tram-car, No. 99 on July 27, the night of the black-out at about 6.30 p.m., was heard before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistrate's yesterday.

Doctor R. E. Alvarez, Medical Officer in charge of the Victoria Mortuary, said at about 9.30 a.m. on July 28, the body of deceased was identified by the driver and conductor of Tram-car No. 99. There were multiple injuries on the head and left side of the deceased's body. There were two fractures on the skull one at the base and one near the forehead. Six ribs on the left side were fractured. The spleen was torn by the fractured ribs.

Ng Hing, 43, driver of Tram-car No. 99, said at about 6.30 p.m. on the evening of July 27 his tram was travelling west at seven or eight miles per hour. When passing a request station opposite East Point Terrace, Causeway Bay, he saw another tram-car on the east-bound line. The tram-car was stationary at the request stop and on passing it he switched off the motor and sounded the foot-bell, as they had orders to do.

After sounding the gong he saw a Chinese male run from the rear of the tram-car about four feet in front. He immediately applied the brakes, but before the tram could stop he saw the man run into the right side of it. He was hit by the handrail and fell to the ground.

The tram-car stopped and he saw a man lying across the lines at the rear of his car. The conductor and himself then took the man to the roadside, where a St. John's Ambulance man, who happened to be on the scene, attended to him. An ambulance was immediately called for. Ng awaited the arrival of the ambulance and a spare driver and then proceeded with a Tramway Inspector to the No. 2 Police Station, where he reported the accident.

Lau Ping, Conductor of Tram-car No. 99, corroborated the motor-man, Sergeant T. McInnes said he was taken to the scene of the accident by the driver, but could find nobody who had seen it occur. He was present at Percival Street on July 28 when the brakes of the tram were tested, and at 10 m.p.h. it had stopped in 33 feet. He was satisfied that the driver of the tram, and he found he was in no way to blame for the accident.

The Magistrate expressed his sympathies with the widow.

PAKHOI TENSION

Luichow Peninsula Severely Bombed

Kwangchowwan, Aug. 21.—The tension on the south-western coast of Kwangtung has been aggravated since August 18 by a terrific Japanese aerial bombardment of the coast and the heavy massing of Japanese warships off the Luichow Peninsula and near Pakhoi.

With the arrival of a Japanese air-transporter off Weichow, an island south of Pakhoi, aerial bombardments were conducted on nine places, including Wushek Harbour, on the western coast of the district of Hoikong, on the Luichow Peninsula, the city of Hoikong, Lunkong, Yeung-kong, Moimong, Timpok, Meilik, Pakhoi, and the city of Sukai. The heaviest losses were suffered by the city of Sukai, which is very small and in the neighbourhood of Kwangchowwan.

After raiding the city of Sukai, the Japanese planes scouted over Machang, a town in the district of Sukai on the border and flew over the leased territory and machine-gunned the Chinese refugees who were crossing the frontier. More than ten of whom were killed.

The French authorities have protested to the Japanese.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

Echo Defies Rescue

GRAND CANYON, Ariz. Chief Park Ranger Percy Bessie was assigned to one of the oddest tasks ever given him to perform. It was to rescue an echo. Tourists reported a man crying for help. Brown raced to the scene and found a tourist sitting on a rock below the rim shouting into space.

POLISH TROOPS MASS WHILE BRITONS LEAVE

(Continued from Page 1.)

In favour of collaboration between Germany and Hungary.

The German press has reported heavy Polish troop movements on the Polish-Bohemia frontier, particularly near Teschen. The reports said the Poles have mined the most important highways between Poland and Bohemia.

Foreigners Start To Evacuate

WARSAW, Aug. 22 (Dome).—Foreign diplomatic authorities and newspaper correspondents as well as foreign residents have started evacuation of the capital in anticipation of a general crisis within the next few days.

It has transpired that members of the German Embassy left Warsaw on Saturday last en route home, while members of the D.N.B., official German news agency, and other German newspapermen also began withdrawing yesterday.

Informal quarters reveal that the British Embassy instructed British nationals residing in Poland to leave the country at the earliest possible date on Monday, while the French also advised its nationals to return home immediately.

The American Embassy announced that it was making all possible efforts to protect the American residents and their property in Poland in any circumstances.

Poland Prepares

Meanwhile, Poland has apparently prepared herself for a stiff resistance against possible German actions. Full-dress military preparations are still continuing throughout the country.

It is reported that the fortifications along the German-Polish border and those surrounding Danzig have already been completed.

Storing of food is proceeding in full swing. Although a general mobilization of man-power has yet to be announced, technical and engineering corps have already been called out and assigned to different bases.

LATE NEWS

Floods Rising In Tientsin

TIENSIN, Aug. 22 (Reuter).—Victoria Road and parts of the British Settlement are completely flooded to a depth of seven feet. The French and Japanese Concessions are similarly affected and the water is steadily rising. A further sharp rise is expected.

Shops are flooded and business is at a standstill. The food situation is acute. Electric power in the British Concession has been cut off but water is still available.

The only available communication possible is boats and rafts.

In view of the serious threat to their Concession, the Japanese might be forced to seek shelter elsewhere.

The refugee situation is tragic.

KOW LOON WEDDING

Radiant in a crinoline gown of white aerial tulle trimmed with orange blossoms, Miss Anna Joaquina (Belle) D'Almada e Castro became the bride of Mr. Wilfred Alexander Reed at the Rosary Church, Kowloon, yesterday morning.

The bride's long full veil added interest to her train, and was held in place by a cluster of orange blossoms pinned high on her head. Her shower bouquet was of tuber roses.

The bridegroom, who is the son of the late Mr. A. J. Reed and Mrs. M. H. Reed, is a clerk at Command Headquarters.

Mr. J. T. D'Almada e Castro gave the daughter away in marriage, while Messrs. P. A. Xavier and E. V. Reed acted as best men for the bride and groom.

The Misses E. and O. Ribeiro, in salmon pink tulle frocks trimmed with pleated tulle at the hem, after the petticoat style, and Miss M. D'Almada e Castro in blue tulle with salmon pink tulle, were the bridesmaids, while little Estelle D'Almada e Castro, also in blue tulle, was the flower girl. Each carried a posy of gladioli, and wore a cluster of flowers in her hair.

The bride's mother attended the wedding in a smart brown floral georgette dress with accessories to tone.

The reception was held at the Club de Recreio, King's Park. The wedding cake, which attracted much attention, was made and beautifully decorated by the bride's cousin, Miss C. Xavier.

When the happy couple left for the honeymoon, which is being spent at Repulse Bay, Mrs. Reed wore a smart ensemble, sent out from America, of duty rose, celanese rayon, with a lace yolk, and corsage of orchids. Her accessories were navy.

APPEAL BY FENG

Exhaustion in Japan Of Man-power

Chungking, Aug. 21.

General Feng Yu-shiang, Vice-Chairman of the Military Council, in a broadcast speech this evening on the subject "How to strive for victory in the second year of the War of Resistance," exhorted the Chinese people in their efforts for national unity and urged them to carry on the struggle despite sacrifices and difficulties.

Expressing confidence that the chances of a Chinese victory are greater than ever, General Feng enumerated instances of difficulties of the Japanese armies in China, such as loss of fighting morale, growth of war weariness and exhaustion of man-power, which are all signs of inevitable defeat, and which are entirely absent among the Chinese armies.

The address also stressed the necessity of close co-operation among the people, which is a most essential factor in a military triumph. He pointed out the People would be helpless without an Army, while the army would be ineffective without the people.

General Feng said the critical moment of the Sino-Japanese war has already passed as far as China is concerned, adding "what need be done in future is only to apply the finishing touches."

The speech also denounced traitors such as Wang Ching-wei, and urged the Chinese people to realise that national interest must be above personal ambitions.—United Press.

TROOPSHIP ARRIVES

Eitrick Now Lying In Naval Anchorage

Commander Cooper, for H.M.S. Darling, Sub-Lt. C. Mannestad, who will join H.M.S. Lowestoft at Shanghai, and Paymaster-Commander Kennedy were among those who arrived by the troopship Eitrick from England, via Singapore, yesterday.

The Eitrick first berthed at Kowloon wharves, but later moved to the naval anchorage, where she now lies.

AMBULANCE MEETING

A meeting of all officers and surgeons of the St. John Ambulance Brigade will be held at Brigade Headquarters, to-morrow at 5.45 p.m. As the business is of an urgent matter it is hoped that all will attend.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued yesterday says:

Besides being Monday, never an auspicious day, the market has been overshadowed by the political situation both in Europe and nearer home. This is accompanied by a natural nervousness which tends to make the market somewhat "lender."

Buyers: H.K. Lands 4% Debentures par. H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 99 1/2

Sellers: H.K. Tramways \$15.85

Sales: Providents \$4.15

Raubs \$8.60

H.K. Lands \$32 3/4

China Lights (new) \$4.80

MANILA GOLD SHARES

Atoks Ps. 18 1/2 s

Antamok Ps. 10 1/2 s

Baguio Gold Ps. 10 1/2 s

Batong Buhay Ps. 10 1/2 s

Bonguet Consolidated Ps. 10.20 s

Big Wedge Ps. 20 s

Coco Grove Ps. 20 1/2 s

Consolidated Mines Ps. 0015 b

Demonstration Ps. 08 1/2 b

L. X. L. Ps. 40 s

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Aug. 21.

New York Cotton

Oct. 8.07/09

Dec. 8.53/52

Jan. 8.40/40

Mar. 8.33/31

May 8.15/16

July 8.02/01

Spot 8.19 N

New York Rubber

Sept. 10.65/65

Dec. 10.65/65

Mar. 10.60 A

May 10.60 A

Total sales for the day—930 tons.

Chicago Wheat

Sept. 67 1/2/67 1/2

Dec. 66 3/4/67 1/4

May 67 1/2/68

Winipeg Wheat

Oct. 53/53 1/2

Dec. 54/54 1/2

May 55/55 1/2

Soyabean Consolidated Ps. 13 s

Syndicate Investment Ps. 0280 b

United Paracale Ps. 37 1/2 s